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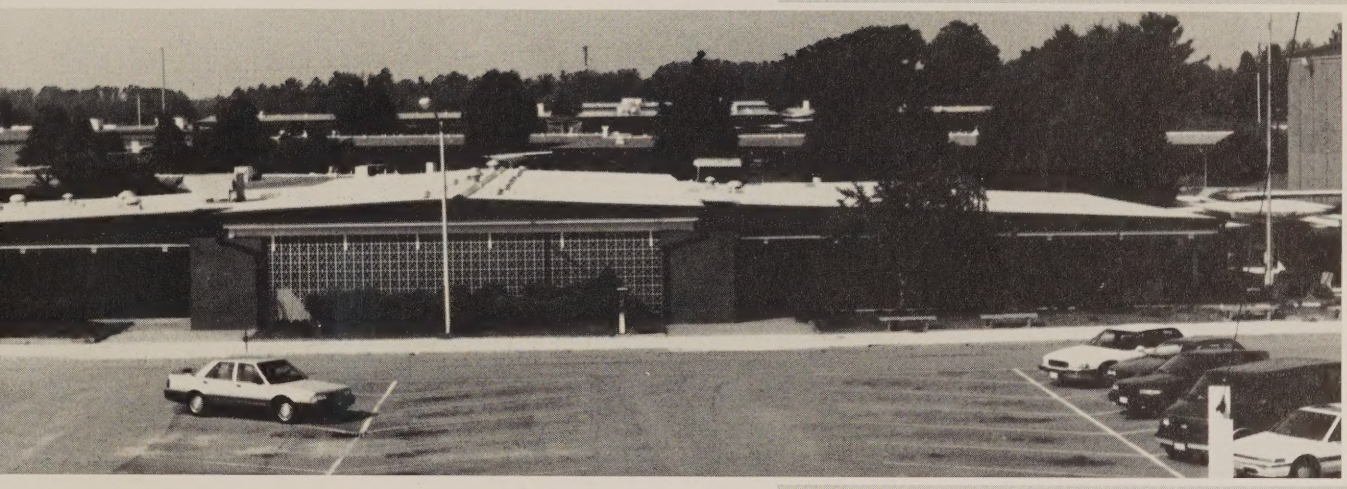

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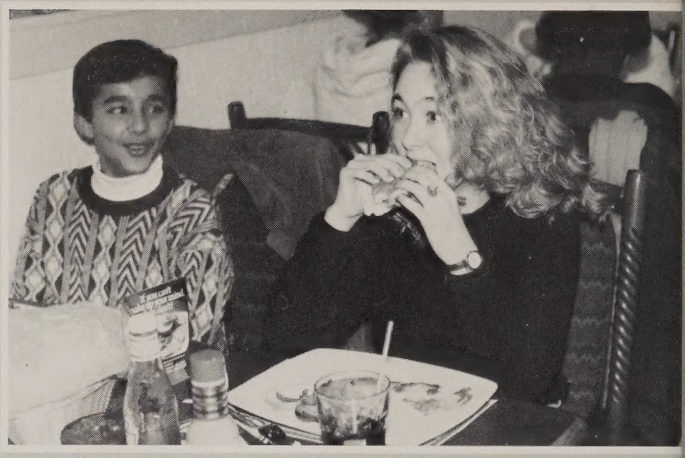
Wash out. At the Henrico County bus lot, Allison Hines, Margaret Fisher, Wendy Gardner and Mandy Hardy join Ms. Andrea Roussell washing buses in July to raise funds for the junior class.



Mexican munchies. Lisa Ancarrow takes a bite out of a burrito at Chi-Chi's as Eddie Hidalgo looks on. The Spanish Club stopped there after a Christmas trip to entertain patients at a nursing home.

Flaming spirit. Holding her torch, Jenny Arrighi portrays the Statue of Liberty during a skit at the Homecoming pep rally.

Wake-up call. Heidi Powell, dressed as a witch, gets her wish granted. She had whispered it into the ear of Ryan Hardiman, a sleeping princess, in a re-enactment of a Medieval French Christmas tradition in Mrs. Faye Conway's French IV & V class.

EAST END STYLE

Well, we certainly weren't any Beverly Hills, that's for sure. But we had style — East End Style, of course. It was better, unique, in a word, diverse.

Where else could you find both muddy pickup trucks and sports cars, or people wearing flannel, silk, plaid, and leather, or AP classes for possible college credit and catering classes running their own business? And there were guys on the cheering squad and girls on the soccer field.

The area — yep, diversity there, too. It ranged from a near city pace at one end to the laid back country farms of Elko at the other end.

There was something for everyone, and that's just what East End Style was all about.

Gourmet decoration. Annie Downs pipes candy into a mold for one of the events served by the catering class.

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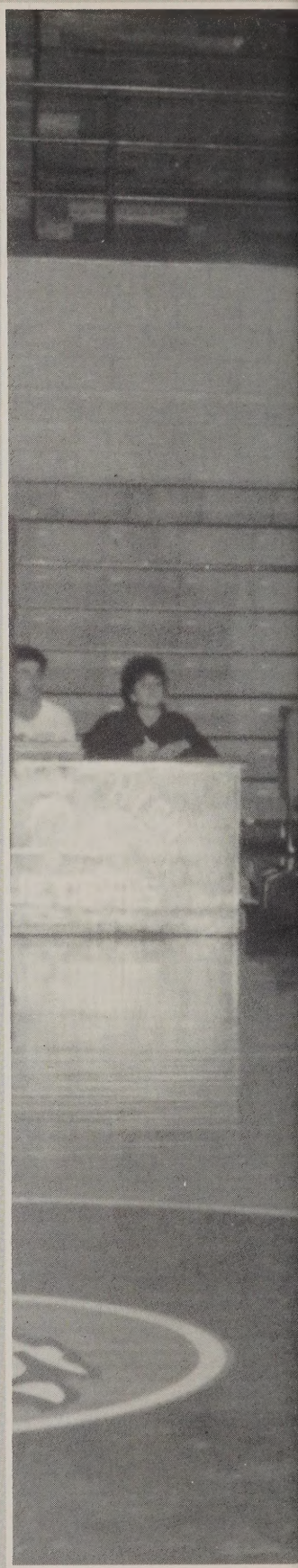
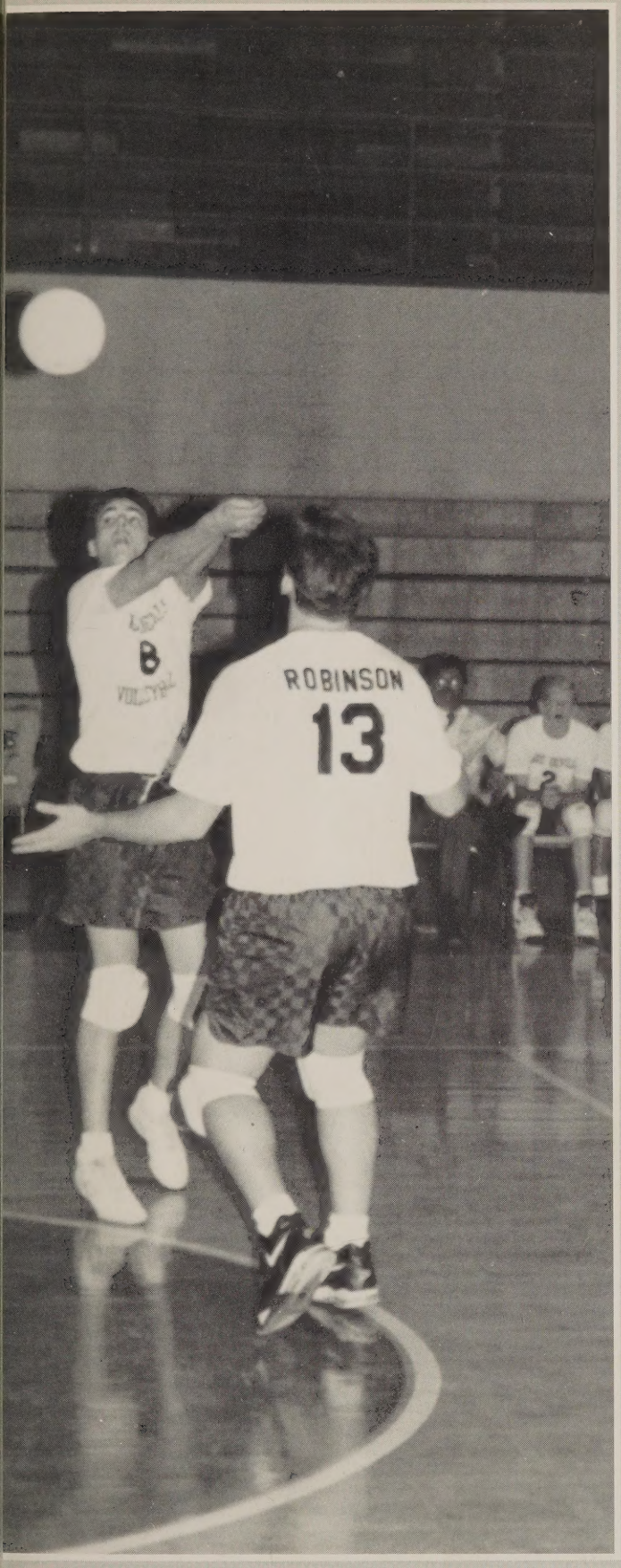
Hot number. Hot Box Girls Shannon Bailey, Jaime Molina, Jami Jeter and Ellen Yeaman perform a song and dance routine in *Guys and Dolls*.

Perfect set-up. In one of their string of 19 consecutive wins for the boys' volleyball team, Rodney Harmon sets Joey Robinson up for a spike.





WITH ZIP

Varina High 23231 — we needed our own zip code to handle our diversity.

We had **2** lives. School life that kept us busy with daily band practice for the trip to England, rehearsing for "Guys and Dolls" or spattering blood on the winning Homecoming float. Away from school, we worked on cars, made money or just hung out.

Our East End Style glowed in all **3** sports seasons with a real shining moment on May 14, when we took five championships.

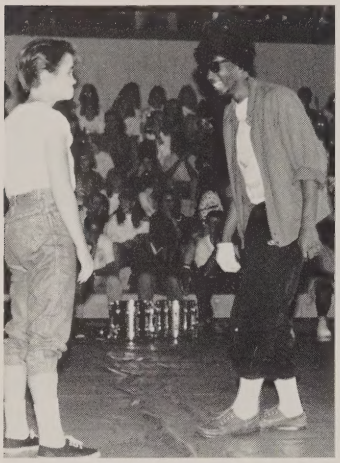
Our group of 1268 was **2** diverse to categorize with every type imaginable.

In class we got **3** points added to our grades for perfect attendance or a good attitude.

We all found ourselves coming together to work as **1** to raise money for the Christmas mother or to donate blood.

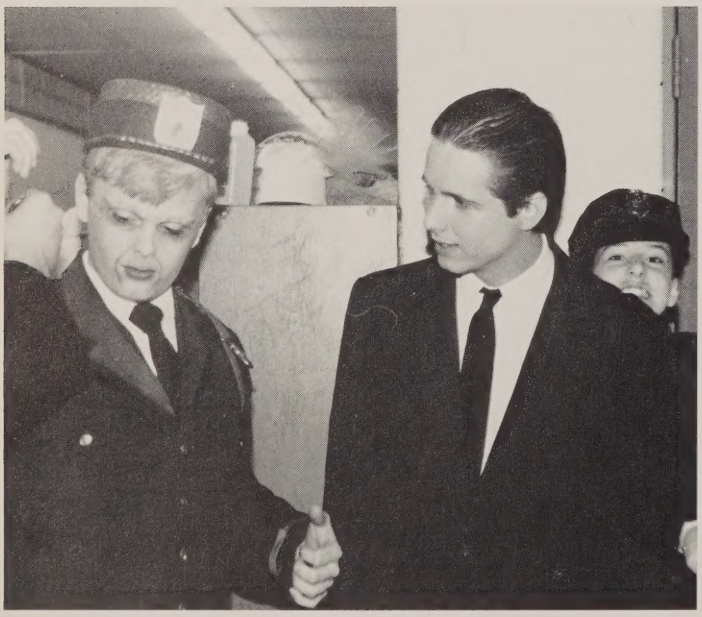
We were Varina High 23231. We had East End Style and absolutely nobody could compare.

Quiet moment. Vincent Ross and Nikki Pruitt share a slow dance at the prom at the Radisson.

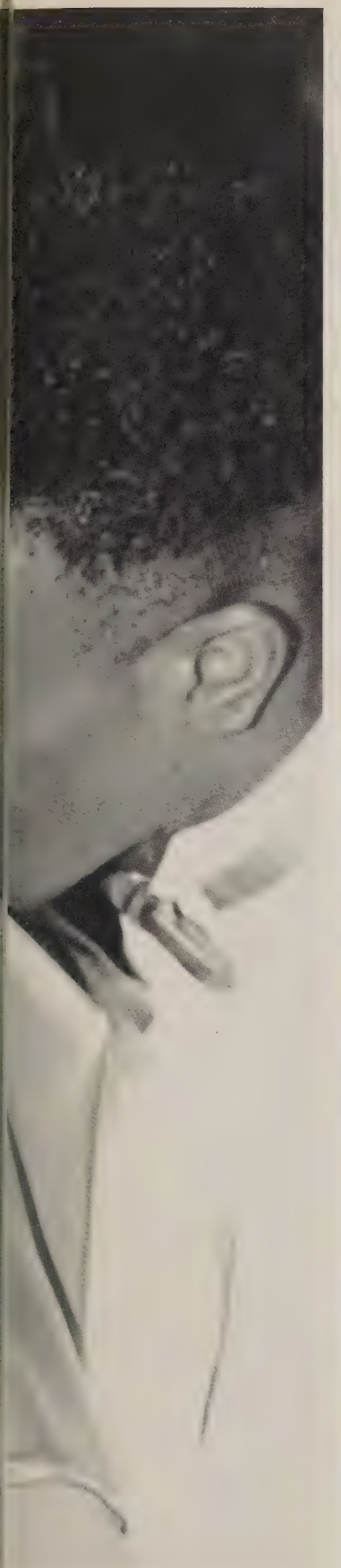


Dynamic duo. Bonnie Martin portrays John Travolta and Reis Alsberry plays a moon-walking Michael Jackson in the Homecoming pep rally skit.

Teary-eyed. As one of the last senior activities comes to a close, Nikki Goodwyn dries her eyes near the end of Class Day festivities.



Dramatic preparation. Gray Gosney and Matt Burns make last-minute costume adjustments before going on stage for the production of *Guys and Dolls*.



We've got

23231 Lives to Live

Sometimes, it seemed as if we practically lived at school. It was either band practice all summer and every morning, rehearsals for *Seventeenth Summer* and *Guys and Dolls*, getting ready for Homecoming or any one of about a million other things.

But there was life after school — our second life — and we lived it with East End Style. Whether in a truck or on a skateboard or in a sports car, in jeans at Burger King or a tux at the prom, just hanging out with time to kill or rushing to get to work, we were uniquely Varina with a style so diverse and individual that it needed its own zip code.

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East End Style. Pick any Blue Devil out of the crowd, and you've picked somebody with style because they're a stylish bunch—every single one of them. It's an individual style. It's EastEnd Style—as many variations as there are Varinians

Student Life

Blue Devils
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Borrowing, babbling and boredom relief — that's why we all need

Buddies

How do you spell *friends*? Well, you could start it really strangely and use a *B*. That's a *B* as in *borrowing, babbling, boredom relief* or *boyfriend replacement*. Those seemed to be the times friends were absolutely essential.

What did you do when you needed money, clothes, accessories, a ride? Of course, you called on your friend. You knew they'd come through, and you knew you probably wouldn't have to pay the money back or return the clothes anytime soon.

Farrah Stone borrowed a tank top, pair of shorts, a belt and a headband from Jenny Arrighi over spring break and didn't get around to returning them until the end of June. Jenny also borrowed from Farrah, who said, "We wear the same size; she just has to roll everything up."

If you needed to talk to somebody, who else but a friend would do? And your friend wouldn't call it just babbling. It was important stuff, like boyfriend troubles or parents. And as soon as you met somebody new, you headed for home and the phone to let your friend know.

And there were those times when there was just nothing to do. A good friend, however, could make doing nothing into something. You just headed for his or her house, sat around, ate, watched tv or a rented movie, talked or called up other people.

Friendships really became even stronger when a boyfriend or a girlfriend was away. That one constant companion got replaced by a buddy.

What Friends Are For

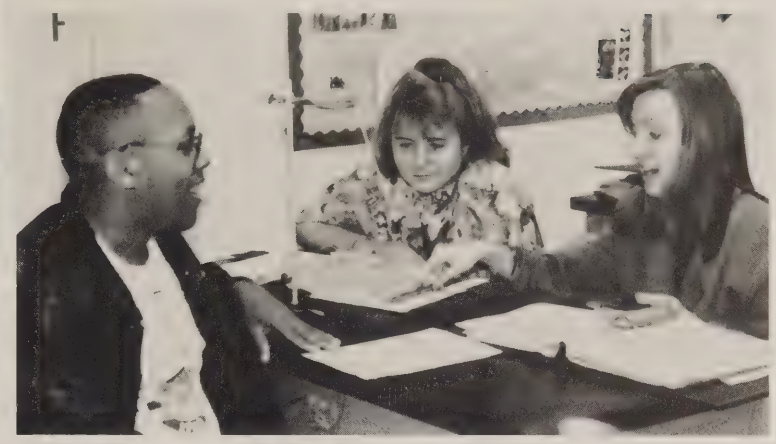
They'll always:

- Be honest with you
- Lend you anything they have
- Act as mediator, ice-breaker or mender in a relationship
- Act stupid with you or embarrass themselves for you
- Lend you homework
- Share lockers and books
- Share personal jokes and speak in a "private language"

They'll never:

- Be so honest that they'll hurt your feelings
- Hound you to get back whatever they've lent you
- Interfere when you don't want them to
- Embarrass you
- Lend your homework to someone else
- Open the shared locker to others
- Translate the personal jokes and language to "outsiders"

Graduation grins. Rosetta Stokes and Lori Stanley wait in the Mosque basement for graduation to begin.



Labs and laughs. Byron Stith, Tracey Sawyer and Stacey King enjoy experimentation and exchange of ideas during a physics lab. Friends made class time go a little bit faster.

Pre-class conversation. Before the period starts, Chris Ann Wickham and Heather Casey enjoy a few minutes of talking.

First order of business. Lisa Jenkins, Mary Ward and Margaret Fisher huddle over a library shelf on the first day of school to compare schedules. Friends, of course, wanted to share as many classes as possible.

Roll 'em. Kelly Barden begins her hour of preparation by puting hot rollers in her hair. At the Homecoming Dance *(inset)* she shows off the finished product in a dance with Ryan Aveson.

Shady character. During a German class party, Brooke Northen, whose hair at the time had a dyed-in maroon tint, waits to be served. At other times in the year, she showed up at school with coal-black hair and even fucshia.

Goldilocks. Senior Mike Carter sports lengthy locks in the back that required a trim only once a month. At its longest point, his hair reached a length of 10 inches.

Fading out. Bart Holland wears his hair with shaved "sidewalls." He had to take time out each week for a trim to maintain this look.

Hair weaving experience. Toya Friend's hairstyle features extensions added to her own hair. She said she spent an hour in the beautician's chair in order to get her weave.

From Kelly Barden's poufed-out dresses to Mary Newton's pageboy, hairstyles run the gamut — and that's

The LONG and the SHORT of it

Andy Warhol had his Campbell's soup can, Davinci had the Mona Lisa, and Kelly Barden had her hair. Yes, hair truly was an art form, varying with every person in length, color, texture and most importantly style. Everyone had a different style, and they ranged from the short to the very extreme.

The largest hair on campus belonged to Kelly Barden, who claimed that it could take up to an hour and a half to reach her "full hair" potential.

In contrast to Kelly's painstaking preparation, senior Angie Lunceford claimed that it only took two to five minutes to fix her shoulder-length hair, which she wore straight.

Sometimes hairstyles became dangerous as senior Che Smith could attest. Che had a weave with synthetic fibers woven into her hair. It would usually take anywhere from three to four hours to finish one. Her weave proved to be more trouble than she had thought when one of her braids caught fire at the Olive Garden on her birthday. Che said, "I was embarrassed because all of the waiters were singing 'Happy Birthday' to me and all of a sudden I looked and part of my hair was melting." Fortunately, danger was minimal since there was no flame; the braid merely melted causing her a real headache.

But girls weren't the only ones "fired up" over hairstyles. Hair was important to males as well. The males had even started to depend on hair "necessities" like styling gel, mousse and spray.

Senior Benji Ashworth filled his sink up with gel and water, dipped his hair into it and then wore a stocking cap on it until it was dry.

Senior Scott Allen had taken on a somewhat different look — sideburns. Sideburns, once being a style in the seventies slowly but surely came back. When asked why he chose to grow his sideburns, Scott said he was going for a different look. And indeed he did. Besides Scott, many had only seen this updated style on "Beverly Hills 90210," a popular television show that had captured many a Varina viewer.

Other male styles included long hair, fades, and the unique half hair, which was just hair on the top and shaved everywhere else. Junior Bart Holland, for one, sported this "half hair" look.

Senior Mike Carter's hair contrasted greatly to Bart's short style. Mike's hair came to the middle of his back and was much longer than some of the girl's hair. However, Mike's hair was cut short on the top and sides; it was just the back of his blond hair that draped over his shoulders.

While keeping up their hair appearance, students also seemed to be keeping the hair care industry itself in business, often spending up to $25 a week to keep their hairspray, gel and mousse in full supply. You never knew when you might need a little extra.

Haircuts also took a hefty cut out of incomes. Haircuts ranged from $5 to $70 per cut. Appearance seemed to be a hair raising experience for everybody.

Hair Disasters

●Sarah Zeigler's curling iron melted her hair due to high voltage during the band trip to London. RMrs. Mary Johns cut her bangs to remove the burned hair.

●Che Smith's hair extensions caught fire while she was blowing out her birthday candles at the Olive Garden restaurant. RShe put out the fire.

●Brooke Northen dyed her hair for a different look, but the end result was more than she bargained for. She wanted a semi-red tint but ended up with a headful of fuchsia hair. RShe dyed it back to its original color.

Wingless flight. Artie Noel sails his skateboard over the crouching Timmy Miller in a dare-devil exhibition of skating prowess.

Wheelie in the woods. Jacob Nolte gives his motorcycle some gas and lifts the front wheel off the ground as he takes a hill at Varina Farm.

Airborne ATV. Greg Aigner holds on as his ATV takes a leap on a hill on his grandfather's farm.

Whether it rolls on two, three or four, cyclists, ATVers and skaters all know that

If there's a Wheel, there's a Way

Although the wheel has always been thought of as a means of transportation, Varina students begged to differ. They combined balance, power and a little imagination to create a higher level of enjoyment. They found this satisfaction through skateboards, rollerblades, ATV's and big, bad rootin' machines.

Skateboarding evolved from sidewalk surfing to a modern sport involving balance and coordination. This sport had no size, age or weight restrictions. All you needed was a board, trucks and, of course, some wheels. Skateboarding had no field boundaries and could be performed practically anywhere, and skaters found their own favorite places. Freshman skateboarding fanatic Timmy Miller preferred skating at Holiday Inn, VCU and Laburnum Green.

Like any other sport skateboarding had it's downfalls. In Jeff Tomlinson's three years of skateboarding he had broken his wrist, sprained his ankle four times, and injured his knees to the point where he could not walk for two weeks. When we asked why he keeps skating, all he had to say was "I don't know, man, it's fun."

As if skateboarding were not dangerous enough, some people tried to ice skate on concrete. Rollerblading, a new form of roller skating, combined roller skates with ice skates. These in-line skates were less stable than conventional skates. They allowed easier meneuvering and posed a real challenge. Even though the blades cost between $70 and $150, this new-wave sport caught the eye, and the feet, of Kevin Hale, Scott Allen, Travis Gathright and several others. You could often find them playing hockey at Varina Rec.

A sport that had always been popular in the East End was ATV (All-Terrain Vehicle) riding. According to most people the initials ATV defined three wheelers, four wheelers and motorcycles. ATV's could be found most anywhere — on farms, at motorcross tracks, in the woods or even in the mud. ATV riding was a sport wich had no definite limits. Sophomore Jacob Nolte, who started when he was eight years old, said he got started when his dad bought him a three-wheeler.

This was not cheapest sport to participate in. A new four-wheeler could run from one to three thousand dollars. But if you had the money and the gas, Varina students would not deny that you would have many years of enjoyment.

Some went a step beyond your small ATV to a much larger and more powerful machine. They found that trucks with big engines and large wheels did well in the mud. Senior Ricky Testerman said he liked to go mudbogging because "It's fun to hang out on Friday nights with my friends from school." You could find these students at the 600 or any other deep mudhole, root'n or just hanging out with friends. This plesurable act of mud slinging was performed any time there was mud on the ground and gas in their tanks.

After rootin', their trucks would usually be driven to school, sporting the dried up mud from the day before. These students seemed to be proud of the mud they have conquered, and as long as there was mud to be found, they said this sport would never die.

So whether it was skateboards, rollerblades, ATVs or mud bogging machines, there was always a chance that a new trick could be landed, a higher jump could be made or a deeper mud hole could be overcome.

Knock-out pair. Spirited grannies Jaime Carter and Jessica Smith offer a winning strategy — "Mama said, 'Knock you out'" — at the pep rally.

Bloody murder. Dressed as Jason, Ricky Duncan stabs Nicki Caldwell on the first-place Freshman float. Dusty Melton, Dana Cobb, Janelle Pridgen and Angela Davis round out the crew.

Flower child. Decked out in hippie attire of long skirt, tie-dyed poncho and headband, Heidi Powell brings back the sixties during Spirit Week as she works during her seventh period study hall in L-2 cafeteria.

Dolled-up duo. Kevin Hale and April Cox, both members of the Homecoming Court, dance to a slow number at the Homecoming Dance in the gym.

Face stuffing. Jenny Arrighi shouts encouragement to Pat Loughlin as he tries to devour a pack of crackers in the relay race at the Thursday night bonfire. One by one, members of five-man teams ran to a cheerleader, randomly chose a food from a bag, ate it and ran back.

Royal parade. Homecoming Queen Che Smith waves to the crowd during her celebratory ride around the track at halftime.

The Court

Queen
Che Smith
1st Runner-Up
Sarah Zeigler
2nd Runner-Up
Chantelle Elam
Princesses
Kelly Barden
Karrie Green
April Cox
Kim Lund
Angie Lunceford
Lisa Toman
Meghan Corbett
Kim Sparks
Mindy Thomas

King
Sherman Burwell
1st Runner-Up
Mike Carter
2nd Runner-Up
Dean Munro
Princes
Chris White
Kevin Hale
Doug Sweeney
Kyle Meador
Denver Oakley
Ryan Aveson
James Barnes
Leonard Mitchell

Attendants
Freshman
Amy Barden
Michael Banks
Sophomore
Chasity Wright
Quinton Herndon
Junior
Darshell Glover
John Shurm

Crowned couple. King and Queen Sherman Burwell and Che Smith dance after Sherman's crowning.

Five days of festivities with costume competitions, a Thursday-night bonfire, a dance and a gridiron victory bring life to

Yesterday's Dreams

Sleepwalkers, gangsters from the 20's, poodle skirts from the 50's, hippies from the 60's, and even Blue Devils from the 90's. It looked like "Quantum Leap," the TV time-travel drama, had hit campus. Actually, it was Spirit Week, five days of festivities preceding Homecoming.

Showing her spirit in costume competition, senior Marcie Wheeler put on blue flannel pj's with a diamond print, stocking cap and blue fuzzy slippers to take the award for Sleepy Day on Monday. Tuesday, sophomore Tracey Walton wore a purple-flowered flapper dress and a headband with a purple feather to win a paper megaphone for 20's day. Anne Chewning won out for her fifties day outfit, and Meg Benedetti brought back the 60's with love beads, wire-rimmed glasses, and a long white flower-embroidered granny dress on Wednesday. Then the freshman class took the honors by decking themselves out in blue and gold on Friday.

The cheerleaders got everybody really fired up on the softball field Thursday night. Students sat on bales of hay to watch relay races and spirit competitions.

When Friday finally rolled around, the student body jammed the gym for the traditional Homecoming skit and pep rally. It featured Sloan Hollis as Michael J. Fox traveling through time to visit Chuckie Bowery as Ben Franklin, Jenny Arrighi as the Statue of Liberty, Chris White as Elvis, Bonnie Martin as John Travolta, and Reis Alsberry as Michael Jackson. Each gave him tips to help the football players defeat the Cavaliers of Clover Hill. The freshman won the spirit competition.

Although all this took place during the week of Homecoming, float preparations had begun long before. Seniors started in mid-summer when the SCA officers met and decided on the theme "Sweet Dreams." Their entry featured seniors dressed in their favorite pajamas cuddling with their teddy bears. Mrs. Mary Dick said, "We had a good group who put in a lot of hard work." They worked right up to the last minute, finishing the float during seventh period in Mrs. Dick's room Homecoming Day.

Even though the juniors had begun in mid-September, they had a few problems when travelling from Reis Alsberry's house to the parade site. Brad and Travis Whitlow, along with Jennifer Roper and Melissa Wash, had to drive 15 miles per hour down Darbytown Road to Laburnum Avenue, where the cardboard covering for the backboard paintings blew off. Melissa had to lie across the flatbed to keep it from blowing away. With the theme "We Have a Dream, So Did They," their float depicted dreams of the 60's and the dream of Varina beating Clover Hill.

The sophomore float had blue and gold balloons with a scoreboard displaying VHS beating Clover Hill with a 170-point win. Travis Gathright said," The balloons continued to fall before and during the parade."

Halftime began with the announcement of the winning float — the freshman entry, "Clover Hill's Nightmare Is Varina's Dream." Horror figures Freddy Kreuger and Jason from "Friday the 13th" spilled gore as they killed Cavaliers.

After the announcement, the ladies' court, dressed in suits, hats, gloves, and heels, walked through the lines of the colorguard on the field. Che Smith, dressed in a white blouse, purple suit, hat and pumps, looked at her father with teary eyes when crowned Homecoming Queen.

The game ended with a 19-7 Blue Devil win.

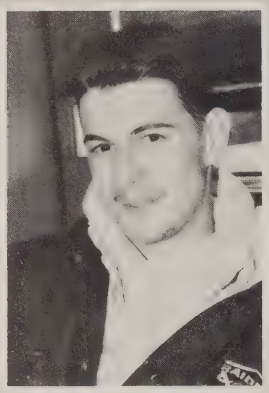
Then members of the court, friends and students moved to the gym where music blasted from the deejay's speakers for the Homecoming Dance. The junior class netted a profit of $226 with a turnout of over 200 people.

Sherman Burwell won the balloting for king. Dressed in a brown suit and flowery tie, he took to the dance floor with Che Smith to finalize Homecoming.

Celebrity Look-alikes

Some people entertained us just by their looks. These people looked like famous people. Walking down the sidewalk at Varina could be just like walking down Hollywood Boulevard. Just take a look at these celebrity look-alikes right here on campus:

Doug Westerman, a double for Jordan of New Kids on the Block: "I don't like it when girls tell me I look like him. I just don't like them. I don't like him or them."



Richard Kraus, who resembled the character Paul Fifer on "The Wonder Years": Who wants to be compared to Paul Fifer.? I look like the kid in the Phil Collins video."

Marc Bohanon, who who has been told he looks like rapper Marky Mark: "You'll be walking down the hall, you know, and one person will tell you, then you'll turn the corner and another person will tell you."

Pre-concert camp-outs, 'Beverly Hills 90210' give entertainment some

New Zip

Everyone counted down the minutes until "Beverly Hills 90210" came on Thursday night. The TV commercial had said that someone on the Fox smash hit was going to die. Then, at 9:00 on November 7, Scott twirled a gun to show off for his friends, and an unexpected bang left him lying on the floor dead. "Beverly Hills 90210" was just one of the many popular television shows students looked forward to. TV was definitely popular.

In fact junior Kenecko Robinson had a room epuipped to watch endless hours of television. She claimed to watch TV from 6 to 10 every evening. Her favorite show was "A Different World" because the characters and situations affected her. She particularly liked Freddy because "she's silly and makes you laugh."

Would you pay a scalper $55 to go see George Michael? Well, Brooke Northen did, but she assured us it was several years ago. Some people would spend their whole paycheck to go to a New Kids or Hank concert. People would travel miles to go see their favorite stars in concert. Shelly Barnes and Melissa Gill were picked up by Shelly's parents from Washingtion after the band's trip to London so they could get to the Marky Mark concert in time. Even though these extra travel arrangements were made, the girls arrived with only half an hour left in the concert. After all of the hustle and bustle Melissa sadly stated "It wasn't worth all of the traveling."

It seemed that no concert was left unattended by Varina students because of the wide musical differences we had. Some Varinians weren't satisfied with watching their favorite stars on TV or in concert — they had to meet these stars in person.

Jimmy Dean was Varina's answer to Elvis; he seemed to appear everywhere we went. Tracy Stone and Jeff Tomlinson reported Jimmy Dean sightings. Stephen Pearson, while visiting his grandmother in Boston, met Jordan Knight of NKOTB at a mall. Stephen said "He was really nice, but it was hard to recognize him at first. He had half a beard and a black and white hat over his eyes."

But whether it was in town, out of town, on television or at a concert, Varinians had to have their entertainment.

T-time. Greg Willis and Ron Taylor sport entertainment-based T-shirts. Concert T-shirts and other rock and roll paraphernalia were standard equipment in any student's wardrobe.

Tuned in. Jodi Galbraith gets set for some serious "tube time" at home. TV filled many hours of spare time for Varina students.

"Armed" and dangerous. Keith Cable shows off his wrist band that entitled him to a place in line for U-2 concert tickets at the Hampton Coliseum. Keith camped out at Hampton the night before just to get the opportunity to buy tickets.

Grab your money and put on your walking shoes because we're going to

Shop Till We Drop

"Shopping is a way to relieve stress, have fun with my friends, and spend money at the same time," said senior Melissa Gill. Shopping malls such as Regency and Chesterfield Town Center became hot spots for students.

Weekends seemed to be the ideal shopping time for poeple such as Heidi Powell, Shelly Barnes, Melissa Gill, and Kim Lund. Jenny Arrighi said she shopped to buy clothes, "When I see something I like I've got to have it."

You didn't really need an excuse to get out of the house to go shopping, but Kim Lund said, "It was just to spend money and buy new things."

Everyone had a personal shopping strategy, from buying on impulse to looking for bargains. "I like to go to every store, find what I like with the money I have, then go back and buy it," said Heidi Powell.

And there were stores you had to go in, even if you weren't going to buy anything. One such store was Impulse. Nobody could resist all the electronic gadgets, the in-store phone calls you could make on their demonstrator phones or the keyboards to pretend to rock out on.

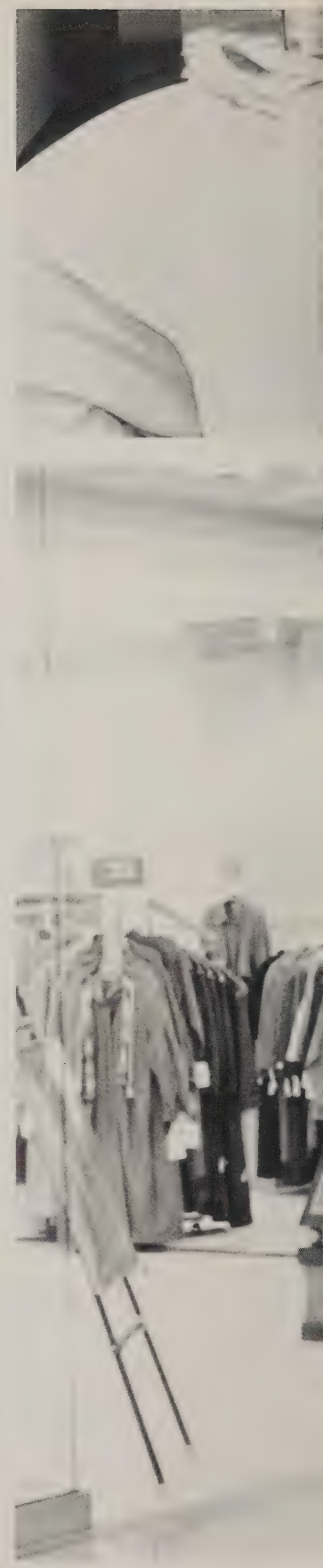
And then there were stores you might avoid for any number of reasons. For Shelly Barnes "Victoria's Secrets" was that store.

And shopping had its hazards. Jennifer Coakley recalled, "During December's Christmas rush I pulled a muscle in my right arm from carrying twelve bags on it. Who knew $200 would hurt me so much."

Standard Shopping Itinerary

You were on the prowl for the perfect outfit. The entire mall lay ahead of you. What was your plan of attack? Chances are it was something like this:

- Head for Britches, Express or The Gap.
- To accessorize the outfit, you'd then hit The Accessory Place or Afterthoughts.
- Hunger strikes — you just had to stop at Taco Bell, Arby's or the pizza place.
- Okay, back to work. You needed shoes, so it was off to Hofheimers and maybe Thom McAn.
- Well, you needed unmentionables. You looked around and quickly ducked in to Victoria's Secret.
- You were done!



Prom preparation. Mike Ramey looks over the selection of ties and cummmerbunds at Regency Square.

Added attraction. Steve from "Beverly Hills 90210," the '92 television hit series, entertains the crowd at Virginia Commons Center. Shopping centers sponsored visits by celebrities to boost business.

Formal inspection. Getting ready for the April fling, Meg Benedetti checks out the evening gowns at Regency for the prom.

Quiet time. Benji Ashworth and Shelly Barnes spend a few minutes just talking in the mall outside LaVogue at Regency. Shopping was a good way of just being together with your boyfriend or girlfriend.

For cash, *bills, buckaroos,* clams, *dough,* moolah, *jobs* mean *getting the Almighty* Dollar

What possessed a person to give up weekends and free time during the week? Money. Students slaved away at Maxwell's, Ukrop's, Hardee's, and other places to support themselves.

Most students did not work to survive, they worked for extra cash. Many put their earnings into car payments, insurance and gasoline. Cars made up the bulk of student expenses. Senior Liz Nicholas cited "beach week" as a reason for saving money. Others worked for money to put toward the rising cost of college tuition.

How did students find the time? They had weekend and after school jobs. Senior Margie Harrison arrived at Ukrop's after school and worked until after the store closed at 9:00 p.m. Senior Kristin Comer, however, left school after sixth period during the week for her job at Meadowland Daycare from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and had enough time to complete her homework at night.

On the odd night, some stayed awake longer than they would have liked doing homework. Margie once sat up until 1:30 a.m. to finish her homework. On the whole, people did not find juggling jobs and homework a problem.

Odd things happened to students on the job. Liz Nicholas, a senior who worked at Ukrop's, once had an angry customer tell her off. "I asked him if he had paid for some drinks in the bottom of his cart and he thought that I was accusing him of stealing. He got mad and started yelling at me. I just wanted to take them to the parking lot for him," said Liz.

Senior Gray Gosney had an exciting experience at Maxwell's in the Sheraton Hotel. While delivering roomservice to a honeymooning couple one evening, Gray walked into the room and into an embarrassing situation where the bride was not exactly adorned in a flannel nightgown. When she saw Gray, she fled to the bathroom screaming, "Why did you let him in here?" An embarrassed Gray set the tray on the bed and left. "I was just doing my job," he said.

So you see, jobs not only gave students an income but a taste of excitement as well.

Wage Watcher

Starting hourly wages at area businesses varied. Here are some of them:

Hardee's
$4.25

Sandston Cleaners
$4.00

Meadowland Day Care
$4.45

Tire America
$5.50

Maxwell's
$4.25

Fairfield Library
$4.62

Sears
$4.75

Rave
$4.25

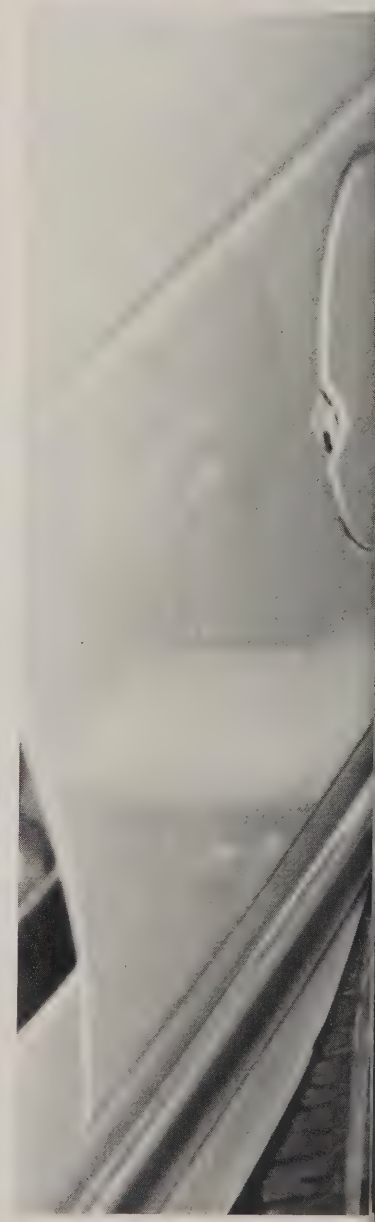
Ukrop's
$4.50

Little Caesar's
$4.25

May Cleaners
$4.00

A&N Stores
$4.25

Kings Dominion
$4.45



Painting the town. Mika Otto rings up a sale in the paint department at Sears at Fairfield Commons.

Bag 'em. Senior Lori McAlinden bags an order for the drive-thru window at Hardee's in Highland Springs.

Rollin'. Courtesy clerk Margie Harrison wheels a cart back into Ukrop's after delivering groceries to a customer's car.

Grease monkey. John Conway changes a tire for a customer at Tire America at Fairfield Commons.

Parking lot features big names, rising stars and has-beens in what looks like a remake of

The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly

It looked sort of like a Clint Eastwood movie — "The Good, The Bad and The Ugly." But the screen was asphalt instead of silver, and the show ran for 180 days straight. The movie set was the Varina parking lot, and the stars were the vehicles students drove to school each day.

The cars were as diverse as the student body and as diverse as the Hollywood output of movies. They ranged from big budget blockbusters, to foreign imports to B-grade duds. But it seemed the owners loved every one of them.

The star of the parking lot might have belonged to junior John Shurm. He loved to sport his dark maroon 1982 Corvette through the parking lot. Of course, senior Sherman Burwell didn't mind cruising the lot in his BMW, either.

At the other end of the auto spectrum, you could find Tony Sheffield's Datsun, whose passenger side panels were rusted out. Or there was Rob Stuckey's car, which was apparently so temperamental that he once actually had to jump on the hood with both feet just to get it to stay shut.

Between these two extremes, you found the majority of other vehicles. You might see Scott Allen's 240SX or Christy Allen's white convertible Volkswagen Rabbit.

And then there were the extra touches students added to perk up the car's appearance. For example, Tina Swearengin applied multicolored decals in the shape of stars, arrows, squiggles and the like to the side of her Dodge Colt.

No trip through the VHS lot would be complete without seeing a load of big trucks, and one trucker Danny Kunkel had a big surprise one day. On his birthday, Tracy Madison and friends decorated his truck with balloons and streamers.

And some of the really big trucks might have looked even bigger parked beside Shawn Burgess's little British racing green MG Midget.

Yes, the big show wasn't necessarily in a theatre; we had one every day right in the parking lot.

Birthday greetings. Tracy Madison stands in the bed of Danny Kunkel's pickup truck to decorate it with balloons and streamers on his birthday.

Ready to roll. John Shurm sits back in the bucket seat of his deep maroon Corvette in the drivers ed. parking lot.

Parking Lot Sampler

Tony Sheffield's Datsun with the passenger side rusted out.

Tina Swearengin's decal-covered Dodge

Christy Allen's white Volkswagen Rabbit convertible

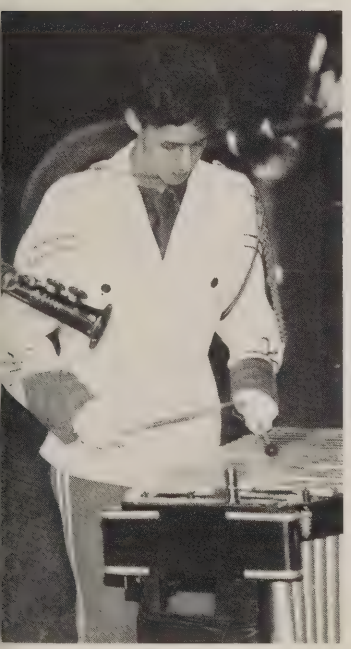
Super sounds. Travis Trimmer plays trumpet in marching band's halftime show at Homecoming.

What goes up. Colorguard member Rebecca Johns watches the arc of her rifle as she spins it in a halftime routine at Homecoming.

Informal presentation. Band members, out of uniform for a change, entertain at the bonfire the Thursday night before Homecoming.

Getting ready. In preparation for their trip to London, marching bend members Wendy Conway, Wendy Walton, Angie Sears and Todd Armentrout check out their passport information in the band room. Chris Hawley has his passport picture taken in the background.

Showtime. Andras Bullock and Mac Tyree play during halftime.



Winning Ways

North Stafford Invitational
1st Place
Flags
Rifles
Drum Line
Drum Majors
Band
2nd Place
Majorette

Bassett Invitational
1st Place
Flags
Rifles
Drum Line
Drum Majors
Majorette
Band
Superior Rating

Bluestone Invitational
1st Place
Flags
Rifles
Drum Majors
Horn Line
Drum Line
2nd Place
Majorette
Band
Superior Rating

State Marching Festival
Excellent Rating
Band
Excellent Rating
Auxiliary

District Band Festival
Superior Rating
Symphonic Band
Excellent Rating
Concert Band

Jazz Band Festival
Superior Rating

Winterguard Awards

Thomas Jefferson Invitational
2nd Place

Woodbridge Competition
2nd Place

Diamondettes Competition
1st Place

Powhatan Competition
2nd Place

TIDA Chapter 12 Championships
1992 Novice Class Champion

Invitation to perform for the queen has marching band deservedly

Blowing Its Own Horn

It was just days after Christmas and most VHS students looked forward to lying around the house for the next five days of the Christmas break. While their main goal was to move all their Christmas presents from under the tree and into their rooms, the Varina Marching band had something else in mind. They wanted to land safely at London's Heathrow Airport.

They had accepted an invitation to march in the Lord Mayor of Westminster New Year's Day Parade in London, England. After six months of fundraising, two months of hot summer practices, and five winning competitions, they were ready to go and were counting down the days until they left. For example, Junior Shannon Comer announced every day the exact number of days until she would be in London.

Some of the many sights viewed by the 206 students and adults were Oxford University, Windsor Castle and, of course, Big Ben. Miriam Ashworth said, "My favorite sight was Warwick Castle and shopping on Oxford Street at the famous department store, Harrod's."

After six days of sightseeing, performing and shopping, most students were ready to come home. The plane ride home was full of restless students with souvenirs and T-shirts that would be worn Monday to school.

But there was a little excitement before landing back in the states. Tracey Sawyer said, "The flight was definitely an experience, especially when we had to stop off in Ireland to let chaperone, Mrs. Birdie Sours, off the plane." Mrs. Sours had an allergic reaction and needed immediate medical attention. The plane dropped over $3,000 worth of fuel over the ocean to make the landing possible and headed back to the nearest airport.

TV 6 and 8 welcomed the students home, along with all the moms and dads who had sent their children off to experience life in a different country.

TV, stereo, decor and mess go together to make a room

Our Own Little World

You slept, ate and watched TV there; heck, Stacey King even burned incense there. That's right, bedrooms. They came in all shapes and sizes, colors and styles. But no matter the shape, size, color or style of the room, we spent most of our time there.

Since we were in there most of the time, we wanted to be comfortable, and junior Allison Hines had all the necessities. Her room was a total home entertainment center. She had a color TV with a VCR hooked up to it, a cordless telephone with an answering machine, and a stereo with a CD player.

Some people didn't have so many conveniences. Students with large families sometimes had to share rooms with a brother or a sister. Junior Jessica Chenault shared a room with her older sister Jenny. She said it was inconvienient because "I have to get up early because she (Jenny) goes to band practice."

Some people may not have been comfortable in their room because they didn't get to choose the decor. Senior Greg Aigner said his room was completely country because "my mom did it and I'm not allowed to change it."

However, Stacey King got to do her own interior decorating. She designed a special room she called her Beatles room, which was where she spent most of her time. Her room was wallpapered in Beatles posters. She had a bead curtain she made herself, a lava lamp, incense and candles, and fresh flowers in old brown root beer bottles to set the ambience. She put down an Oriental rug and large purple velvet chair to sit on. But when her friends came over, she just threw them a paisley pillow for the floor. For music, she had her albums and tapes and a "green sparkly" drum set on the floor.

No matter what the decoration or style we spent most of our time there — our room was our own personal world.

Room Etiquette

When to Clean Up

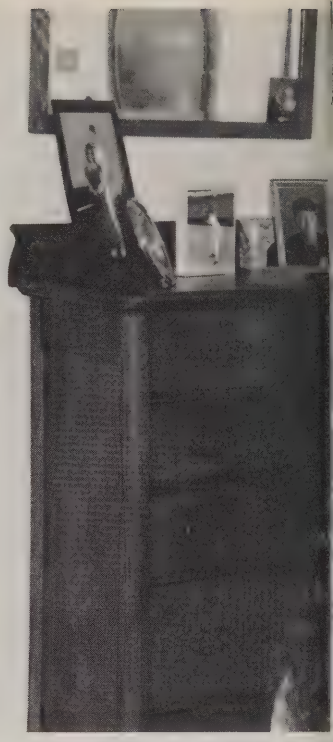
- When you're looking for something.
- When someone is coming over.
- When your parents make you.
- When you fall and hurt yourself.
- Never.

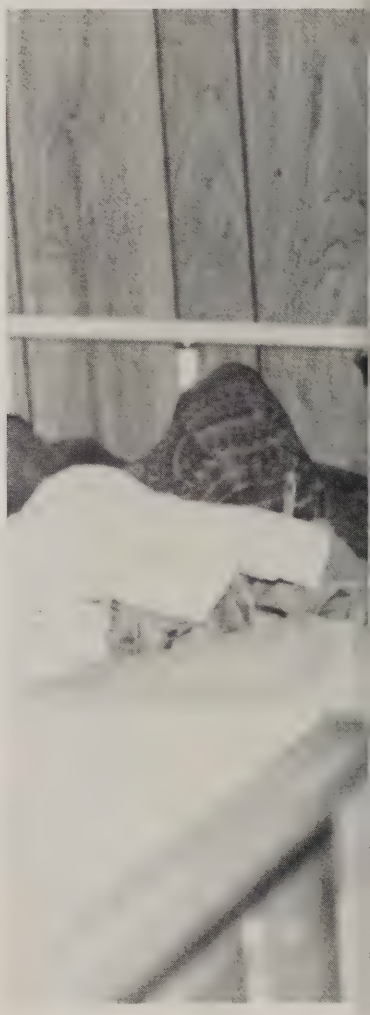
How to Clean Up

- Shove it under the bed.
- Pile it in the closet.
- Leave it where it falls.
- Wait for mom to do it.

Room Necessities

- Phone
- Television
- Radio
- Stereo
- VCR
- Nintendo





On the horn. Jenny Arrighi talks to friends on the phone in her room as Jill Timberlake waits for some of the news. In the background hangs Jenny's graduation robe, and this is somewhat odd since Jenny meticulously arranged her clothes, having one closet for summer wear and another closet for winter clothing.

Battle zone. Civil War buff Travis Whitlow relaxes with a war history in his room, which was decorated with all sorts of things related to the War Between the States.

All the options. Heidi Johns stretches out on her bed, talks on the phone and gets ready to zap the channel selector on the television. Phones and TV sets were two of the truly indispensable items for a "fully-equipped" room.

You drive. Phil Harris handles a monster truck on a video game at AMF Bowling on Broad Street, while Jessica Chenault watches.

Arm in arm. James Barnes and Tracettia Robinson walk down the sidewalk in front of D-Building on their way to class.

Prom pair. Framed by the balloon-festooned arches at the Radisson, Kirk Bane and Melissa Elliotte wait to be introduced as members of the senior class for the Senior Figure.

Between classes. Amanda Ellerbe and Wayne Ellyson share a moment on the sidewalk between classes.

Photo opportunity. Tanya Amstutz and Tony Sheffield look over photographs in the band room.

Telltale Signs

The following indicators were dead giveaways that couples were going together:

- **Rings:** Oversized stuffed with candle wax or wrapped with miles of string or undersized worn on a chain around the neck.
- **Phone calls:** As soon you came in the door after school.
- **Notes:** Written at every opportunity during class and passed between every class.
- **Meetings:** At a set place after every class.
- **Presents:** Given for every holiday, even Halloween, and heaven help you if you forget an anniversary.

Rings with strings, daily notes, between-class meetings all indicate you're

Going Together

Doodling hearts, oversized rings and dedication to one person were all signs of "going together." Big rings, with lots of wax or string on a girl's index finger, and a tiny ring on a guy's pinky were common exchanges when "going with someone."

Exactly what was going together? Senior Meghan Corbett said, "It's seeing one person exclusively, every day of the week and on weekends."

Seeing Tracey Sawyer exclusively was what Jason Weatherford did. Whether it was between classes, after school or on weekends, Jason and Tracey were never apart. Tracey comented on the fact that "Jason even traveled to all our band competitions to watch me perform."

Some weren't as lucky to have their boyfriends go to school with them. Meg Benedetti saw her boyfriend when he traveled 1,536 miles from his college in North Dakota to visit during breaks. Meg frequently communicated through letters and limited phone calls. He left behind his old ragged bandana and boxing shorts to bum around in.

While some had boyfriends or girlfriends, others just dated frequently or hung out at parties together. Kim Brewer said she didn't really go to any certain place to meet a guy. Kim said she didn't mind being "single" because she had the freedom to do what she wanted.

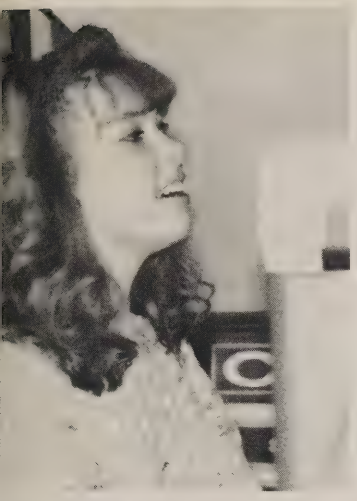
Phil Harris felt differently about being unattached. He said he enjoyed being with someone: "It gives you someone to hang around with all of the time." He found someone when he and Jessica Chenault began seeing one another.

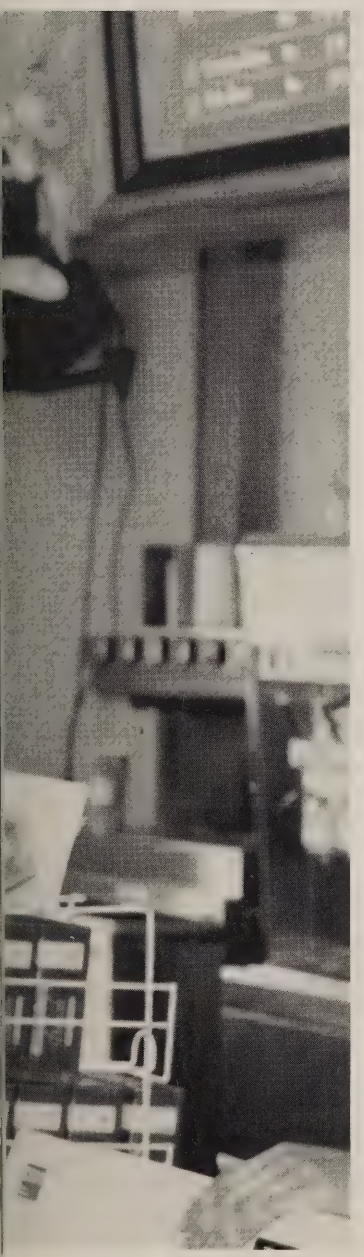
Couples could have easily been spotted by the obvious signs. Whether they were together all of the time, just hanging around, or separated by miles, they were happy with their social lives.

Good for two. Amy Whitt plays basketball at AMF Bowl on Broad Street. Sometimes, students had to go across town just to hang out.

Kiddie time. Richard Kraus plays in the children's playland at McDonald's at Southland Park.

Burger time. Kevin Hale, Mike Krevonick and Doug Sweeney place their orders at Burger King, the major meeting place and hangout on Williamsburg Road.





Time Killers

When there was absolutely nothing to do, here were some of the possible alternatives to mere vegetating:

- Go over to a friend's house
- Head out for a mall
- Go to a movie
- Drive down Williamsburg Road or into the city and down Broad Street
- Hang out in the Burger King parking lot
- Walk around Maymont Park and look at the animals
- Feed the ducks at Bryan Park

No place to go, nothing to do? Why don't we just

Hang Out

The room was spinning, and there were people everywhere with no way to get out. No this was not a scene from the latest horror movie, but a typical Friday night for many VHS students. Hanging out was a term that meant just what it said. Whether it was at someone's house or a bowling alley or in a big truck in a big mud hole, hanging out was really a major activity.

Skate America, in Mechanicsville, became a popular hangout for students. It not only gave them a chance to socialize, but also to actually do something. Freshman Bobbie Jo Hilliard usually made the trip to Skate America twice per weekend, on both Friday and Saturday nights. She said she had been skating for about six years, and the reason she and her friends switched from going to Skateland to Skate America was because Skate America was newer and nicer. Skate America sometimes even sponsored special events such as all-night skates or dances to give its customers a variety.

Skating took to the ice too as the Richmond Coliseum opened up the rink to the public following hockey games. The cost was $3.00 to rent skates and you had to be lucky to get in. On one Friday night senior Karrie Green and junior Sunny Barnes went to meet friends and skate following a school basketball game and had to stand in line for one hour before they could even get skates. Kevin Hale and Scott Allen decided the wait wasn't worth it, so they even bought their own skates. When Karrie was asked why they decided to go ice skating she responded, "It was an adventure."

While many chose to spend their time hanging out inside, others prayed for rain so that they could spend their time outside going rootin'. Rootin' usually involved driving huge trucks through big mud holes, but once sophomore Rhonda Bulheller decided to do something a little bit different. Rhonda took her Mazda RX-7 loaded with seven people down a dirt road with holes, stopped, slammed on brakes and started rootin' out of the hole. Luckily, Rhonda did not get stuck.

Of course, before going rootin', a big group of people went to the Burger King on Williamsburg Road, a major East End hangout, and sat in the parking lot to decide what to do. Often, when you went there, you never made it inside to eat.

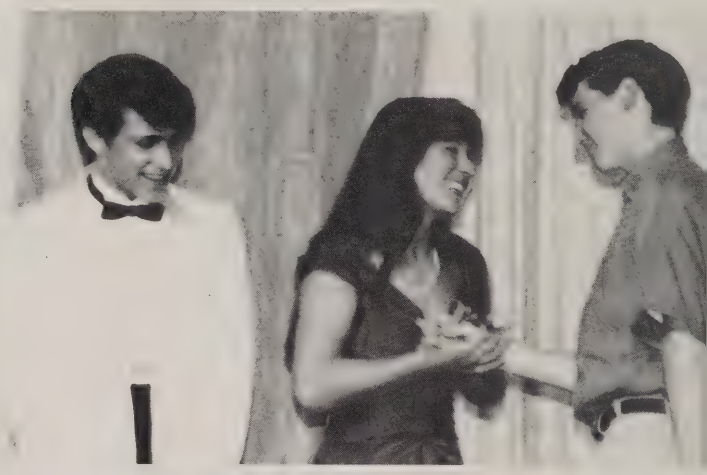
Bowling, skating, rolling or just sitting, plenty of time got spent just hanging out.

Seventeeth Summer

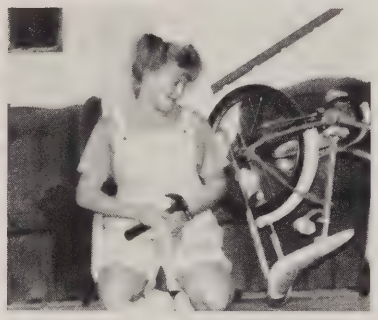
Cast
Angie
Karrie Green
Kitty
Kim Brewer
Mrs. Morrow
Christy Allen
Mr. Morrow
Jason Weatherford
Margaret
Jessica Chenault
Lorraine
Heidi Johns
Margie
Angi Williams
Jane
Jaime Molina
Jack
Darren Milby
Martin
Gray Gosney
Art
Keith Beagle
Fitz
Chuck Bowery
Tony
Duane Moore
Crew
Stage Manager
Shannon Bailey
Properties
Joan Hochstrasser
Stage Crew
Karen Fore
Susan Mallory
Set Construction
Clint King
Jason Hawes
Margaret Fisher
Costumes
Tracy Walton
Ellen Yeaman
Sound
Steven Diggs
Lonnie Jones
Lighting
Chris Ann Wickham
Kim Creasy
Business Manager
Kristie Dickinson
House Manager
Brooke Welsh
Business
Margaret Fisher
Emily Bedner
Christina Wingfield
Tiah Tomlin

Roll 'em. Sky Masterson (Matt Burns) leads the other gamblers in a craps game down in the sewer.

Night out. Angie (Karrie Green) and Jack (Darren Milby) say goodbye to Angie's father, Mr. Morrow (Jason Weatherford), before leaving for the dance.



Repair time. Kitty (Kim Brewer) fixes her bike for a ride. Kim had to change her appearance for the youthful part by wrapping ace bandages around her chest.



Touch-up. Heidi Johns adds the final dab of lip gloss before going on stage for *Guys and Dolls*. Like many other females in the play, Heidi played the role of a gangster.

Ace bandages, made-up feet, spats, thrift-store clothes, three-piece suits and slicked-back hair help actors make

The Big Change

Imagine staying at school from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. every night except Friday. A nightmare for most students, but for those involved in the fall and spring drama productions, it was a reality.

Jessica Chenault felt that these hours were "crazy," but the hours of hard work paid off, and made *Seventeenth Summer* a success.

In the drama set in the late 1950's, Angie (Karrie Green) and Jack (Darren Milby) fall in love, but Jack's hopes of marriage are blocked by Angie's desire to go to school. They fight but finally come to an understanding and make up.

Hours aside, cast members had to do many unusual things to portray their characters. Kim Brewer had to drastically change her appearance to become the eleven-year-old Kitty, by wrapping an ace bandage around her chest.

For the opening scene, Karrie Green had to put dark make-up on her feet so the audience would believe that she had been working outside in the garden. Jessica Chenault had to go shopping in thrift stores for clothes from the 1950's.

Apparently, it all worked. Heidi Johns felt that it was "the best," and Angi Williams said the play was "fun and a good experience."

As spring approached, the drama department began working on the musical *Guys and Dolls*. The result was another successful play, even though crew members were still rushing to finish painting the sets on the day the play opened.

Set in the 1920's, the play depicted the struggles of love between the gambling Sky Masterson (Matt Burns) and soul-saving Salvation Army member Sarah Brown (Veronica Mitchell) and between Nathan Detroit (Darren Milby) and Miss Adelaide (Christy Allen).

Costumes were very important to the atmosphere of the play, and those who played gangsters found themselves wearing three piece suits and slicking back their hair. This was particularly interesting for Heidi Johns, Jenny Arrighi, Brooke Welsh, Shanda Barnes, Jane Angulo, Joan Hochstrasser, Robin Lanning, Leah Schrinel and Margaret Fisher, who found themselves portraying males. Darren Milby especially remembered "the spats — the things on the shoes."

Perhaps, Gray Gosney underwent the biggest change in appearance. To play an old man, he had to put baby powder in his hair. This worked well until curtain call, when he took off his hat, and was engulfed in a puff of smoke.

Guys and Dolls presented many memorable scenes for the actors. Jami Jeter and the other Hot Box Girls had to "act like a chicken." Veronica Mitchell especially remembered the scene when whe was drunk. The cast agreed that Christy and Darren's anger-and-apology performance about broken promises during the song "Sue Me" was very exciting and memorable.

Hot numbers. Miss Adelaide (Christy Allen) and Jami Jeter, Shannon Bailey, Ellen Yeaman, Jaime Molina sing "Take Back Your Mink."

Guys and Dolls

Cast
Nicely-Nicely Johnson
Duane Moore
Benny Southstreet
Jason Hawes
Sarah Brown
Veronica Mitchell
Arvide Abernathy
Gray Gosney
Agatha
Jennifer Durrette
Mission Band
Tosha Amstutz
Angie Hart
Jaime Janiszewski
Mac Tyree
Tracy Walton
Harry the Horse
Chuck Bowery
Lt. Brannigan
Chuck Doane
Nathan Detroit
Darren Milby
Miss Adelaide
Christy Allen
Sky Masterson
Matt Burns
Hot Box Girls
Shannon Bailey
Jami Jeter
Jaime Molina
Ellen Yeaman
Joey Biltmore
Lee Bussells
General Matilda Cartwright
Kim Creasy
Big Jule
Lee Bussells
Waiter
Mac Tyree
Chorus
Jane Angulo
Jenny Arrighi
Shanda Barnes
Margaret Fisher
Joan Hochstrasser
Robert Chamberlain
Heidi Johns
Robin Lanning
Leah Schrinel
Brooke Welsh
Chris Ann Wickham
Crew
Stage Manager
Karrie Green
Properties
Susan Mallory
Marsha Coward
Catherine Holbert
Costumes
Jan Hummel
Karen Amstutz
Jackie Walton
Lighting
Angi Williams
House Manager
Jessica Chenault

Tux-clad 'penguins' flock around ice sculpture in lobby of Midnight

Masquerade

They finally got to make a senior figure — not a senior blob. In the past, floor space at the prom was always limited, but at the Radisson on Canal Street downtown, there was room. Sure, the figure was meant to be one big *V* and was squeezed into two small ones, but it was a figure.

For the April 11 affair, juniors and seniors jammed the ballroom for "Midnight Masquerade." Black and pearl balloons festooned the elevators that brought prom-goers from the parking deck. A basket sculpted from a huge block of ice and filled with flowers graced the entry hall. Once inside the ballroom, midnight masqueraders found seats at tables covered with white tablecloths and decorated with black, white and silver masks and star-shaped glitter.

The floor was packed with dancers — so full that people had to stand on the carpet around the dance floor just to have room to dance. Despite the formal nature of the event, the crowd really grew when the audience heard the first few notes of the popular Garth Brooks song "Friends in Low Places." Senior Steve Pearson commanded attention on the dance floor being the only guy to dance during the entire prom surrounded by a group of about 10 girls.

Many believed that getting there was half the fun. One group of eight, Grey Snelson and Sunny Barnes, Mike Carter and Meghan Corbett, Spencer Moore and April Cox and Dean Munro and Mindy Thomas, arrived in the city's longest stretch limo — one that had two sunrooves. It set the four boys back $600 for the rental.

Juniors Mandy Hardy, Jay Strath, Allison Hines, and Richard Kraus, however, found cars to be a different story. After dinner at LeMaire in the Jefferson Sheraton Hotel, they went to the valet to get their cars and realized the cars had been lost. Luckily, they were found in time for them to get to the prom.

Some even enjoyed unusual transportation at the prom. Rebecca Johns and Tara Mills and their dates, Doug Shumway and Ray Jeter, went outside for some air then decided to take an evening carriage ride through downtown and the capitol grounds.

A few diehards waited until 11:30 for the crowning of the prom royalty. At the magic moment, the court, made up of juniors Reis Alsberry and Darchel Glover as Prince and Princess and seniors Che Smith and Kevin Hale as Prom Queen and King.

The fun didn't stop at midnight. Many stayed awake until the early hours of the morning at the after-prom party held at John Rolfe. For those who stayed until the doors closed, there was good incentive as India Powell, who won a sailboat, discovered. Kristen Eberly won a radio, and Greg Aigner gambled his way into $7000 and purchased a "tacky watermelon pen."

Formal Fashion Fare

- Senior Rebecca Johns's outfit featured a unique design twist — a purple dress with a white bow was designed by her boyfriend, Doug Shumway.
- Junior, Heidi Johns opted for a 50's look in a black flare-bottomed Marilyn Monroe style dress with a full white collar. The look didn't end with her dress as she also wore her hair curly Marilyn style.
- Mike Crute and Leonard Mitchell made formal look casual with shorts and boots with socks to match their dates' dresses.
- Mindy Thomas modeled a salmon-colored, full-skirted, high-waisted early 60's type dress.
- Billy Davis dyed his hair purple to match Jamie Tanner's dress.
- Vincent Ross profiled in his white tux and tails, top hat and cane.

Surrounded. Steve Pearson finds himself with seven partners on the dance floor of the Radisson during the prom.

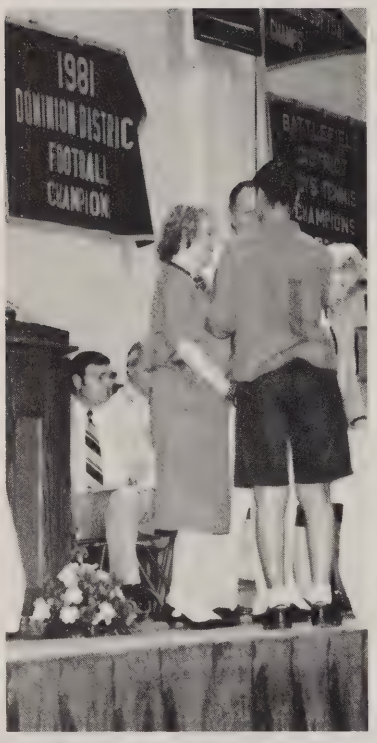
Prom Prince & Princess. Reis Alsberry and Darchel Glover celebrate their coronation with a slow dance.

Casually cool. Leonard Mitchell and Mike Crute show off their formal shorts and tuxes in the lobby of the Radisson.

Smack! Sunny Barnes plants a kiss on Grey Snelson's cheek as they and Meghan Corbett and Mike Carter pile into a limousine.

Formal fun. Angie Jenkins and Jamie Goad share a laugh and a slow dance at the prom.

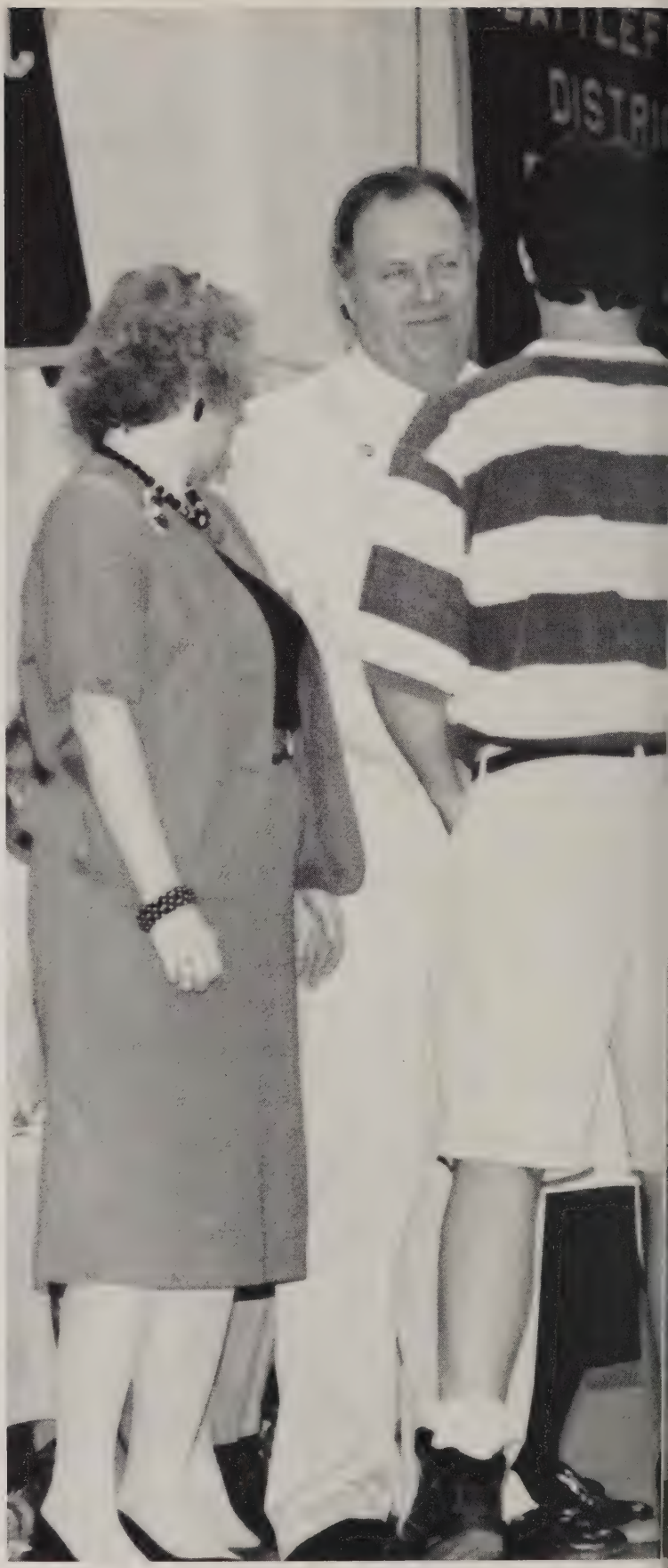
Royal pair. Prom King and Queen, Kevin Hale and Che Smith strike a regal pose.



Congratulations. Tamara Tucker receives the William H. Danford "I Dare You Award" from Ms. Vicki Bivens and Dr. Henry L. Nelson at Underclass Day.

Sworn in. Heidi Johns, Brad Whitlow, Angie Sears, Brian Allred and Farrah Stone take the oath of office as new SCA officers for the 1992-93 academic year.

Boys' State Nominee. Jamie Goad receives his official nomination to Boys' State from Dr. Henry L. Nelson and Ms. Vicki Bivens.



Academic Awards

Earth Science
Marcus Palmer
Biology
Anna Noller
Chemistry
Brian Allred
Applied Math
Dawnyelle Englehart
General Math
Jeremiah Grundy
Algebra I
Jason Polhill
Consumer Math
Gary Valenti
Geometry
Dawn Blair
Math Analysis and Trigonometry
Bonnie Martin
Business Ed.
Tonya Bennett
Lisa Jenkins
Henry Davis
Tamika Davis
Thomas Grubbs
English
Marcus Palmer (9)
Nichelle Johnson (10)
Nicole Conner (11)
National Latin Exam
Cum Laude
Noir Fowler
Magna Cum Laude
Meredith Chisom
Summa Cum Laude
Bonnie Martin
Western World Studies
Everette Comstock
Non-Western World Studies
Marcus Palmer
US History
Bonnie Martin
American Studies
Joey Robinson
Technology Ed.
Jason Kelly
P.E.N
Nikita Pettiford
Jason Polhill
Anna Noller
Everette Comstock
Health
Brandy Allen
Travis Melton
Nichelle Johnson
Jason Meade
Driver Ed.
Carol Harmon
Virgil Mosu

Academic excellence and superior service set top freshmen, sophomores and juniors apart on

A Day of Honor

Mr. Craig Thompson, school board representative from the Varina district, told the assmebled crowd that they lived in the "Most wonderful place in the entire world, and that is Varina." And Underclass Day, May 22, 1992, showed why. It was a time to honor the Varina students who had distinguished themselves and made Varina that wonderful place.

The two-hour ceremony saw scores of underclassmen parade across the stage set up in the gym to receive awards for all types of academic achievement and service to school and community.

Nichelle Johnson received the Hugh O'Brian Leadership award, and Brian Allred, Jamie Goad, Lauren Null, Jessica Oakley, Nakoma Sours, and Will Testerman were formally nominated for Boys' State and Girls' State.

The U.Va. Jefferson Book Award went to Nicole Conner, the University of Richmond recognized Sherian Walker with its Lake Society Book Award, and Brian Allred and Tamara Tucker received the William H. Danford "I Dare You" Award.

Junior Cindy Hedge received the National Conference of Christians and Jews Brotherhood Award, while ten students were recognized as Principal's Scholars for their performance on the PSAT's: Justin Goad, Joan Hochstrasser, Jason Reffner, Meredith Chisom, Nichelle Johnson, Anna Noller, Julie Olgers, Kellie Smith, Brooke Northen and Sherian Walker.

The Xerox Award for Excellence in Humanities and Social Service went to Farrah Stone, and Jaime Janiszewski and Keisha Walker earned the Young Authors Awards for their writing skills.

Leah Schrinel was given the William Byrd DAR Citizenship Award, and Bausch & Lomb recognized Richard Kraus for his achievement in science.

Each academic discipline honored the student with the highest average in that area, and a trio of students from each grade level received awards for citizenship, service and leadership. From the ninth grade Sarah Siewert, Brooke Oliver and Paul Acors, respectively, were recognized for those honors. Sophomores T. R. Fluker, Jamie Bauer and Crystal Judy and juniors Farrah Stone, Tricia Wiles and Reis Alsberry got the awards as well

Awards, slide show mark

Class Affair

It was the beginning of the end — May 29, 1992. Class Day festivities began at 9:05 a.m. for the Class of '92 when they put on their caps and gowns and marched into the gym before the student body and assembled family and friends. And they spent the next hour and fifty minutes receiving awards and reminiscing over the past twelve (or more) years.

Sarah Zeigler opened the ceremony, Dr. Henry L. Nelson introduced the guests, and Varina Supervisor James Donati addressed the audience. Then it was on to the awards.

Mrs. Linda Gilliam handed out 25 perfect attendance awards, 27 National Honor Society certificates and 60 Beta Club honors. Then came a string of academic honors, scholarship announcements and the recognition of the Top Ten Seniors.

After the awards, Sarah Zeigler introduced the faculty chorus, who entertained the crowd with their rendition of "What a Wonderful World."

Brooke Welsh took the podium to introduce class president Karrie Green, who said, "I never imagined graduation would sneak up on us so fast." She then gave a rhyming account of the class's four years at VHS and followed it up with a special presentation to Mrs. Shirley Daniel, class co-sponsor.

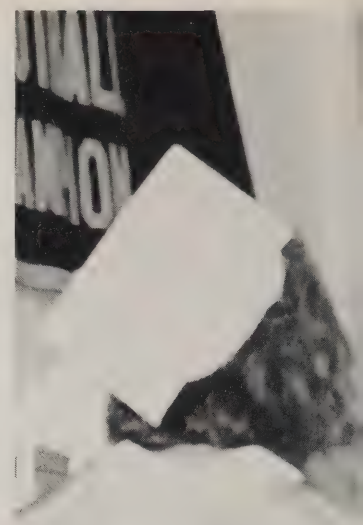
And the faculty wasn't left out of the seniors' thoughts either. They awarded the Blue Moose to Mrs. Susan Clarke and Mr. Dave Gammon.

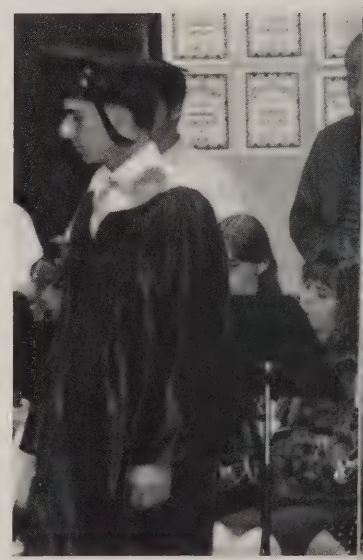
Class historian Ryan Hardiman took over and introduced the slide show, reminding the class of their 720-day (more or less) stay at Varina that included silence at pep rallies as sophomores, three ring ceremonies postponed because of snow and the trials and tribulations of finding a space in the parking lot. The slide show was set to music, including the Knack's "My Sherona," the song that was number one in the country during the Class of '92's first week of kindergarten.

The slide show came to a close, the seniors rose, and out they processed to the strains to "Pomp and Circumstance."

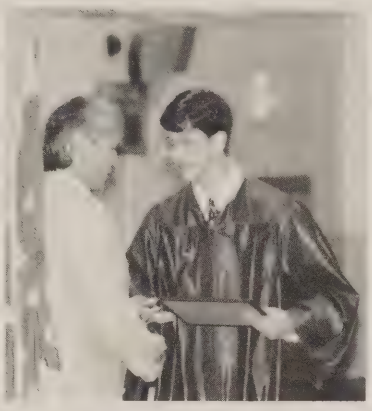
Honors

DAR Award
Brooke Welsh
Business Ed.
Doug Sweeney
COE Award
Denise Barlow
Tech. Ed.
Michael Carter
Tim Green
Wendy Baer
Rodney Harmon
HERO
Nikki Goodwin
Meme Bentley
English
Shawn Burgess
Young Authors
Christina Webb
Wanda Taylor
Journalism
Rebecca Johns
Bausch & Lomb
Shawn Burgess
Matt Hines Science Award
Airren Dabney
Calculus
Shawn Burgess
Algebra/Trig
Janna Perry
Survey of Math
Melissa Elliotte
Computer Programming
Frank Bryant
Current Affairs
Melissa Elliotte
Psychology
Christy Allen
Applied Economics
Temetra Rice
Government and US History
Janna Perry
French
Ryan Hardiman
Spanish
Jennifer Chenault
Chorus Concert Award
Matt Burns
Choral Director's Award
Lori McAlinden
Art
Cat Smith
Phi Beta Kappa Outstanding Student Award
Shawn Burgess
Janna Perry
Tandy Scholars
Janna Perry
Shawn Burgess
Stacey King
Leslie Altic
Citizenship Award
Chris White
Ryan Hardiman
Service Award
Nikki Goodwin
Leadership Award
Chantelle Elam
Outstanding Athletes
Shaun O'Neal
Sarah Zeigler





Fond farewell. Senior Class President Karrie Green gets a big hug from Mrs. Shirley Daniel after Karrie and Brooke Welsh had presented her with a special gift at Class Day in appreciation of her service to the class.



Top jock. Shaun O'Neal accepts the award for Outstanding Male Athlete from athletic director Mr. Gary Chilcoat during Class Day.

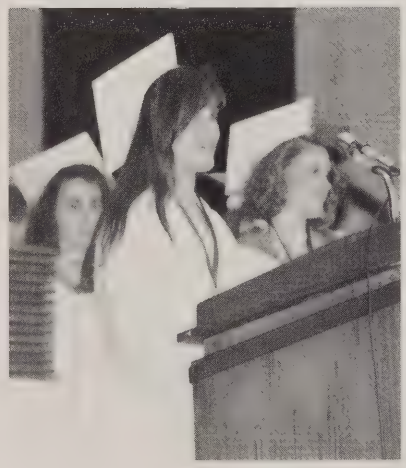
Capped and gowned. The Class of 1992, clad in traditional graduation attire, follows the proceedings of the Class Day ceremonies.

Processional. Rodney Harmon, Margie Harrison, Janette Kennedy, Stacey King and Mika Otto file into the gym with the rest of the senior class at the start of Class Day.

Pinned. April Cox gives Mindy Thomas a hand in adjusting her cap and keeping it in place as the seniors get ready in the Mosque basement before the graduation ceremony begins.

Last march. Sarah Zeigler leads classmates down the aisle as they file into the Mosque for graduation.

Welcome. Senior Class President Karrie Green greets the assembled guests in the Mosque at the opening of graduation festivities.



Flipped out. To signify their status as graduates, members of the Class of 1992 move their tassels over.

Program Line-up

Processional
Symphonic Band
Welcome
Dr. Henry L. Nelson, Jr.
Karrie Green
Presentation of Colors
Virginia Air National Guard
Invocation
Sarah Zeigler
Remarks
Mr. James Donati
Mr. Craig Thompson
Dr. William C. Bosher, Jr.
Introduction of Salutatorian
Leslie Altic
Salutatorian
Stacey King
Introduction of Valedictorians
Mika Otto
Valedictorians
Shawn Burgess
Janna Perry
"Ain't That Good News"
Varina Concert Choir
Introduction of Student Speakers
Ryan Hardiman
Brooke Welsh
Graduation Addresses
Christy Allen
Steve Hawley
Presentation of Diplomas
Dr. Henry L. Nelson, Jr.
Mrs. Catherine Fisher
Mrs. Linda Gilliam
Mr. B. R. Ricks
Benediction
Sloan Hollis

Class of 92's Sunday night Mosque ceremony marks its

Final Farewell

Sunday night — it usually meant the end of the week and anxiety over the start of a new school week the next morning. Well, Sunday, June 7, 1992, did mean the end of the week, but for 279 seniors who gathered together for the last time at Richmond's Mosque, there were no "Sunday blues." They were graduating.

Arriving over an hour before the scheduled 8:00 p.m. starting time, the cap-and-gown-clad group milled round the Mosque basement and went through seemingly endless checks of their alphabetical seating arrangement while girls pinned their hats onto mounds of hair or tried to get those impossible collars to stay in place.

At a few minutes before 8:00, they rose, headed up the stairs and marched down the aisle to the strains of "Pomp and Circumstance," performed by the Varina band.

Dr. Henry L. Nelson and Class President Karrie Green welcomed the guests, and the Virginia Air Ntional Guard presented the colors. Then Sarah Zeigler delivered the Invocation.

Remarks by Varina Supervisor Mr. James Donati, School Board Representative Mr. Craig Thompson, himself a Varina graduate, and Superintendent Dr. William C. Bosher followed.

Stacy King, salutatorian, spoke, then co-valedictorians Shawn Burgess and Janna Perry took the podium, followed by a rendition of the spiritual "Ain't That Good News" by the Varina Concert Choir.

The Class of '92 had begun their year with a non-traditional Convocation by having student speakers, and they continued this "non-tradition" by having student speakers at graduation, in this case Christy Allen and Steve Hawley. While earlier speakers had quoted John Lennon and Benjamin Disraeli, Steve was a bit different. He cited Kermit the Frog when he depicted the graduating class a individual drops of water creating a beautiful rainbow.

The time had finally come. Row by row, the seniors arose, filed up to the stage and marched across to receive their diplomas from Dr. Nelson.

Sloan Hollis closed the ceremonies with the Benediction, and the graudates then marched/ran down the aisle and out into the people-packed Laurel Street and on to the future.

Bump it up. Doug Sweeney returns a serve for the championship Blue Devil team as Billy Green looks on.

I feel like dancin'. Chantelle Elam performs a floor routine during a gymnastics meet.

She's off! Heading for third, Sherri Lanning gets a jump off second base during a home softball game.

Throwing smoke. Danny Crumpler follows through and delivers a pitch during a home varsity baseball game.

Let's give

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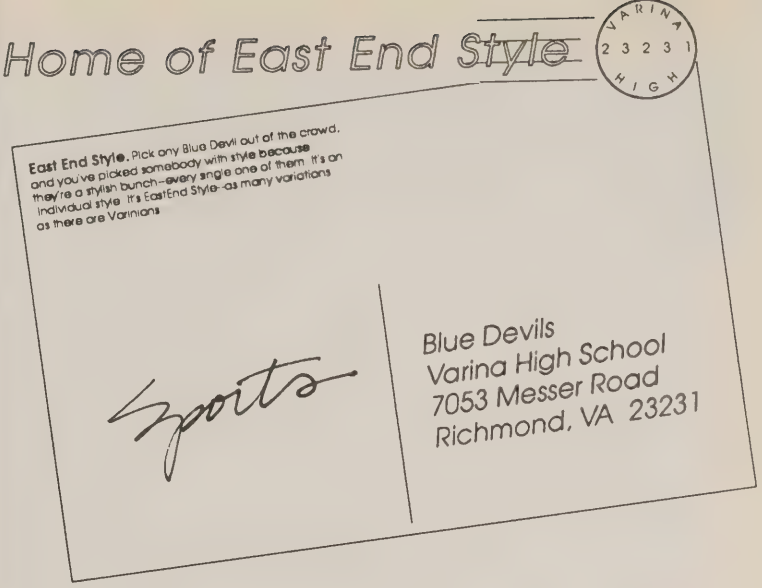
Home of East End Style


East End Style. Pick any Blue Devil out of the crowd, and you've picked somebody with style because they're a stylish bunch—every single one of them. It's an individual style. It's EastEnd Style—as many variations as there are Varinians
Sports
Blue Devils
Varina High School
7053 Messer Road
Richmond, VA 23231

Cheers for Champs

December 6, 1942 might live in infamy, but May 14, 1992 will live in glory — it was Pearl Harbor for Blue Devil opponents. On that day, five Varina teams clinched Capital District championships. Baseball, softball, boys' track, jv baseball and jv softball all grabbed titles. Additionally, boys' tennis qualified for regionals for the first time in years.

Boys' volleyball had already established the standard for teams when in the fall they spiked all but one of their opponents in winning the district.

But whether teams won by 10 or lost by twice as much, they didn't go down without a fight. That fighting and winning spirit was a mark of East End Style.

Boys' Volleyball Team: Front Row: Tracy Carter, Buddy Baskette, Rodney Harmon, Steve Pearson, Dean Munro, Danny Crumpler, Joey Robinson, Brian O' Neal; **Back Row:** Coach Clyde Wilson, Doug Sweeney, Kevin Hale, Billy Green, Frankie Foley, Shaun O' Neal, Paul Acors, Keith Cox, Scott Mistr, Brian Wick.

MVP Info

Shaun O'Neal: "The best part was spiking because it's a great feeling to go up and spike the ball in somebody's face."

Boys' Volleyball

Freeman	2-0
Godwin	2-0
Tucker	2-0
Hermitage	2-0
Henrico	2-0
HSHS	2-0
Henrico	2-0
HSHS	2-0
Freeman	2-1
Hermitage	2-0
Tucker	2-0
Tucker	2-0
Henrico	2-0
HSHS	2-0
Henrico	2-0
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Tournament	
Tucker	2-0
Freeeman	1-2

Record:19-1
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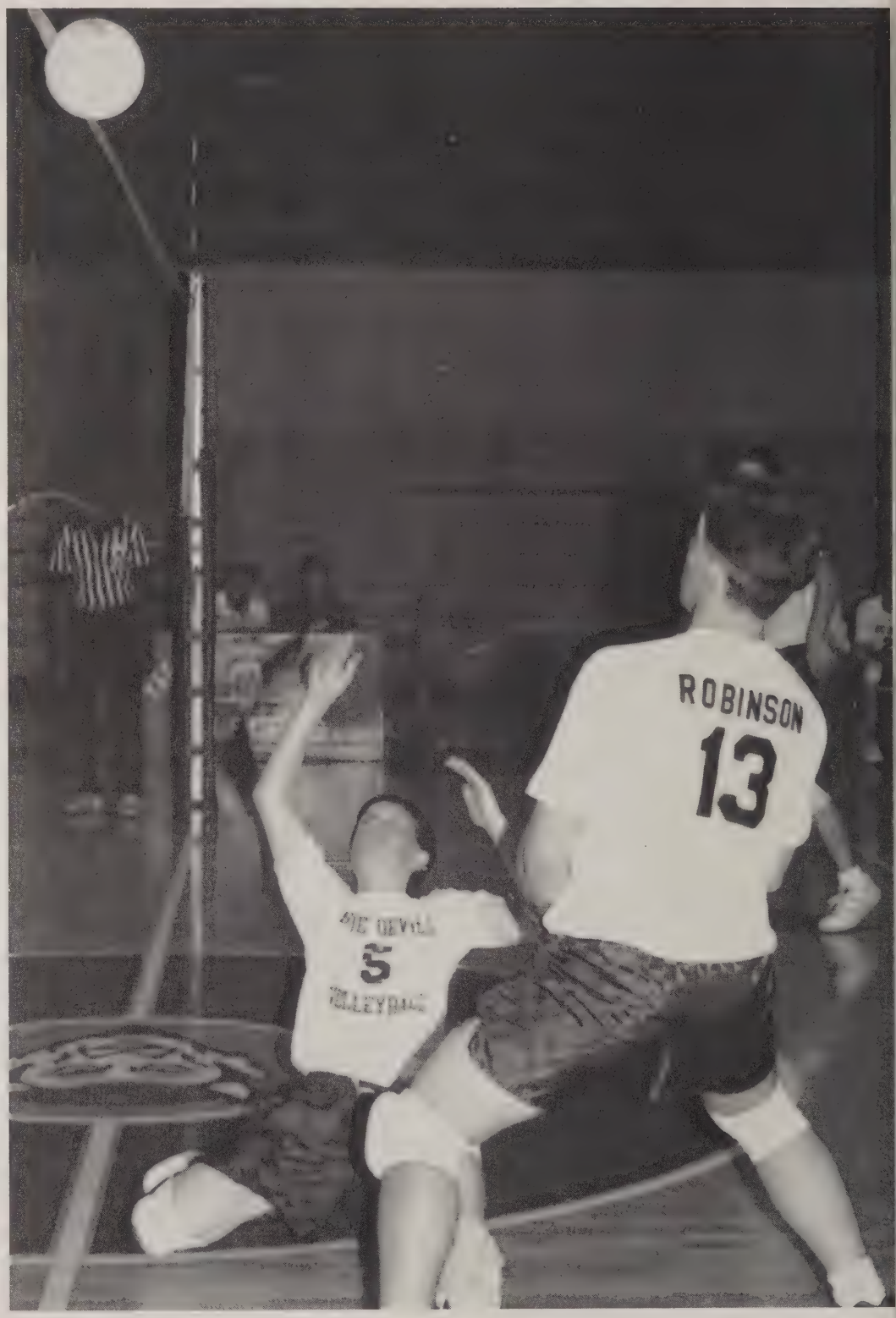
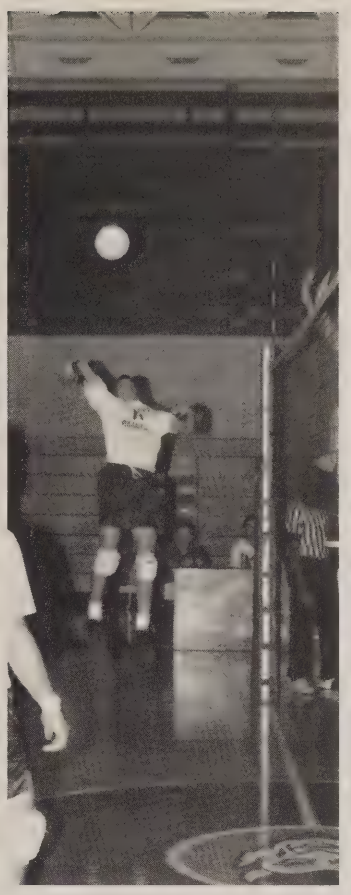


Getting down. Buddy Baskette goes to his knees on the floor to dig out a ball from the net and set Joey Robinson for the return.

Spike. Keith Cox goes high to slam a return back over the net past the defenders.

Eyes up. Brian O'Neal reaches to make a back set for Scott Mistr, who is approaching the net.



Teamwork & experience combine for district championship as veterans finish regular season unblemished with a reputation for

Icing All the Opposition

Spiking a vampire's heart will kill it, and the boys' volleyball team did a little monster killing of their own, spiking all their opponents during the regular season and finishing 19-1. In fact, the regular season district champs only allowed the opposition to win a single game in their demolition of the opposition.

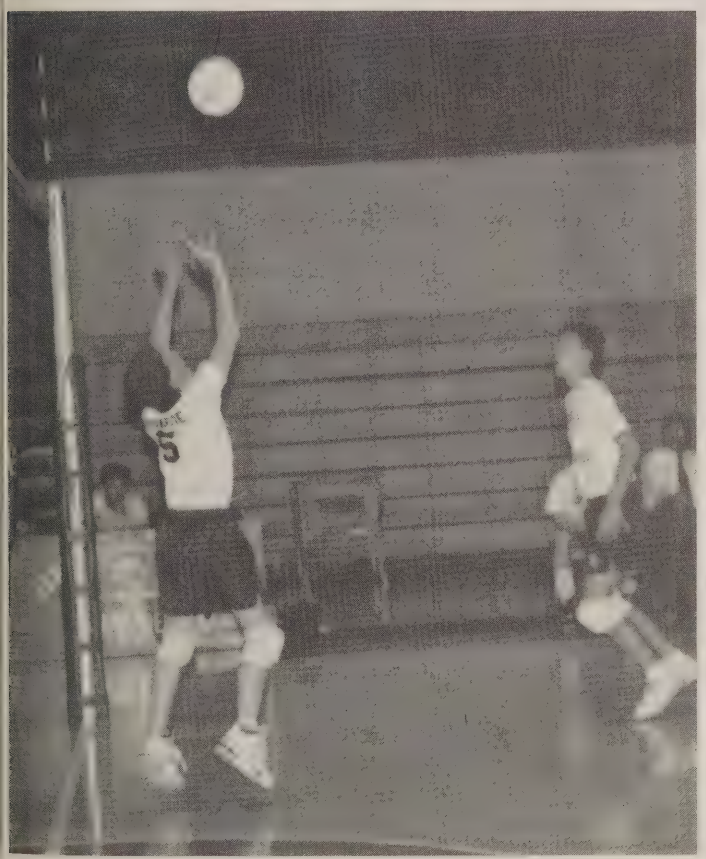
That single win was given up to Freeman in the teams' second meeting, and that turned out to be an ill omen. It was the Rebels from Douglas Freeman who ended the boys' season in the tournament finals with a 2-1 win over the Devils. Kevin Hale said, "In the last game we didn't play together as a team."

That was a really unusual turn of events for the team, whose success, as MVP Shaun O'Neal said, came from "the experience of playing together for three years."

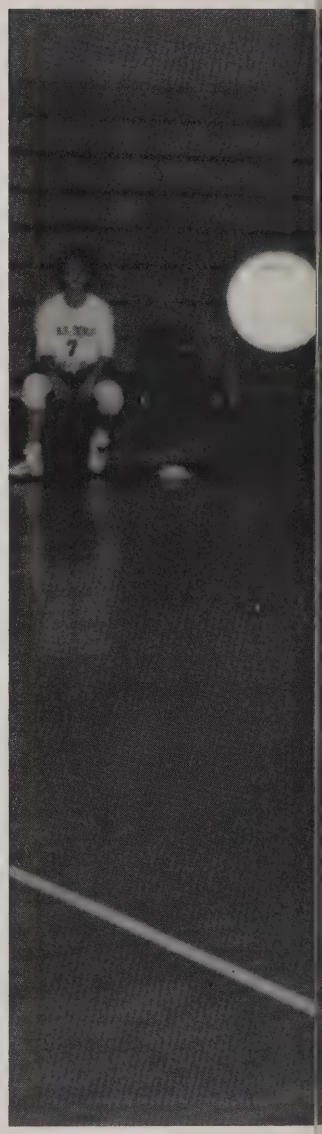
And they did play together, as their record indicated. As Steve Pearson said, "It was a great experience playing with all our friends and winning."

The district champs placed Shaun O'Neal and Keith Cox on the first team All-District, while Steve Pearson and Danny Crumpler earned second team honors.

Perhaps honorable mention All-District team member Kevin Hale summed it up best when he said, "We played hard all year and deserved to go undefeated."



Teamwork. Buddy Baskette sets the ball high for Rodney Harmon to spike in a home match.



Burrows, Bernstein and the bunch make it to

Regionals Again

"We got off to a slow start having a new coach to adjust to. We were a young team, but coach worked well with us, and we learned a lot," said Jami Galbraith, sophomore setter for the girls' volleyball team. "After the first couple of games, everybody learned how to work about together as a team. We helped each other and improved," added Carol Harmon.

The ladies finished with an overall record of 11-8 and a trip to the regionals. "We did really well, getting several people district recognition," said Coach Stuart Bernstein. Jami Galbraith and Nicole Conner made second team All-District, while Sherri Lanning and Carol Harmon earned honorable mention. Heather Burrows made first team All-District as well as honorable mention All-Regional. Sara McCoy, Carol Harmon, Anna Noller, Margaret Fisher, Alix Hammer and co-captains Nicole Conner and Heather Burrows made the district all academic team.

"After losing the first couple of games, we started working together as a team and not a bunch of individuals.' said Heather Burrows. Jami said that "A lot more gets accomplished when we worked as a team. We learned to work out our problems amongst ourselves."

The team met their biggest rivals, Lee-Davis, twice during the regular season play, and both matches proved to be very competitive and fast moving. However, the Lady Devils fell short both times. For the district tournament, they met long-time rival Highland Springs, whom they had already defeated twice. By defeating the Springers again, the team got to face Lee-Davis a third time in the tournament final and once again tasted defeat. They finished second in the district and second in the tournament with only Lee-Davis ahead of ahead of them.

They advanced to the regionals to receive a tough defeat from Freeman, whom they had already come up against in both regular season as well as in an invitational tournament .

There were some odder moments during the season. One occured when Anna Noller got hit in the face by the coach's hard-driven spike. There was also the way Jami Galbraith got the ball stuck in the net that dropped from the ceiling across the gym at the regional match.

Heather Burrows said "It was a lot of fun. We Were pretty good for having such a young team. I was the only senior. A lot of credit goes to our coach. He got us together and going in the right direction."

Close. Margaret Fisher and Heather Burrows go up for a block in a home match.

On the ball. Carol Harmon handles a serve as Jami Galbraith backs her up.

MVP Info

Heather Burrows: 1st Team All-District, Honorable Mention All-Regional, District All-Academic

Varsity Girls' Volleyball: **Front Row:** Sara Mc Coy, Anna Noller, Carol Harmon, Margaret Fisher, Sarah Cole; **Back Row:** Jamie Galbraith, Sherri Lanning, Nicole Conner, Jodi Galbraith, Coach Stuart Bernstein.

Girls' Volleyball

Freeman	0-2
Godwin	0-2
Tucker	2-0
HSHS	2-0
Henrico	2-0
Lee-Davis	1-2
Armstrong	2-0
Atlee	2-1
Tucker	1-2
HSHS	2-1
Henrico	2-0
Lee-Davis	1-2
Atlee	2-1
Hermitage Tournament	
1st Round	2-0
St. Catherines	2-0
Freeman	2-0
Districts	
HSHS	2-1
Lee-Davis	1-2
Regionals	
Freeman	1-2
Record:11-8	

Getting down. Sherri Lanning digs out a serve as Nicole Conner and Margaret Fisher move in to back her up.

MVP Info

Most memorable game: "Gaining 150 yards against the Springers of Highland Springs."

Picked off. Diving for the ball, right cornerback C.J. Atkins snares the ball in front of the Godwin receiver for an interception as Chris Eggleston closes in on the play.

Play action. Quarterback Leonard Mitchell drops back for pass while Ryan Aveson moves to take out the attacking defensive end.

Varsity Football: Front Row: Chad Ancarrow, Marlon Davis, Thomas Williams, Keith Rude, Brian Harrison, Ryan Aveson, Leonard Mitchell, Mike Crute, Michael Aboul-Hosn, Airren Dabney, Denver Oakley, Albert Matthews, Darrell Mc Lean, Shawn Terry; **Second Row:** Jay Strath, Todd Bosher, Mike Penn, Chris Eggleston, John Bracey, Bobby Hewlett, Todd Withrow, Joey Gifford, Calvin Callahan, Phil Harris, Jamie Goad, Randolph Tate, Brad Melton, David Ragland; **Back Row:** Jason Page, Clarence Adams, C. J. Atkins, Jason Meade, Damon Burrows, Brad Lutz, Kevin Sydnor, Brian Henshaw, Phillip Ramsey, Barry Kemp, Dingo Futrell, Rod Davis.

Varsity Football

6	Mills Godwin	0
13	Patrick Henry	38
26	Freeman	0
31	Hopewell	12
19	Clover Hill	7
14	Henrico	24
6	Highland Springs	34
41	Kennedy	20
22	Lee-Davis	55
7	Armstrong	6 *(OT)*

Record: 6-4

Full steam ahead. Tucking the ball away, Ryan Aveson blows around right end for a gain against Mills Godwin. Ryan claimed, "My favorite play from the line was 46-Lead."

Varsity Football

In the air, on the ground and in the endzone, Mitchell, Aveson and Crute provide a powerful

Triple threat

They started fast, so fast that if you were 20 seconds late for the season opener against Godwin, you missed all the scoring at that game. On the first play from scrimmage, quarterback Leonard Mitchell went around end and down the sideline for six points on a keeper. That took care of the scoring, and Varina won 6-0.

Varina then traveled to Ashland to face a tough Patrick Henry team, an eventual regional semi-finalist. The Devils went to the air to Mike Crute for two touchdowns. Mike had a good game, but Patrick Henry had a better one winning 38-13.

They turned it around against Freeman with Ryan Aveson rushing for two touchdowns and over 100 yards in a 26-0 win, the second shut-out of the season.

They kept winning on the road to Hopewell. A couple of touchdown passes from Randolph Tate to Mike Crute, and a two-touchdown performance from Ryan Aveson provided Varina with a 31-12 victory.

With the Homecoming game earlier in the season. Varina was pressured into the Homecoming festivities. The football team slowed the pace against Clover Hill taking advantage on the ground for over 200 yards. Ryan Aveson, Leonard Mitchell ran for touchdowns. One extra point two Michael Aboul-Hosn fieldgoals resulted in a 19-7 decision.

Then came a string of five tough district opponents. For the second straight year it was cold and rainy when they met Henrico. Varina scored in the air and on the ground, with Ryan Aveson not only running the ball but also catching TD passes. Despite his efforts, the Blue Devils fell short in a 14-24 loss.

In the second district game the Highland Springs Springers dominated, but Varina never said die. Down by 34, they fought tough until the end when they capped off their only scoring drive wtih a two-yard touchdown for Ryan Aveson.

Using all their weapons, passing, running and receiving, the offense had no problems scoring against Kennedy. Varina went on to win 41-20.

Against one of the areas top passing/running attacks, the Devils had some problems. The Lee-Davis Confederates came into the game with quarterback Joe Elrod and runningback Antoine Lee (both co-players of the year). At first, both offenses scored at will, with Aveson and Crute turning in performances to match those of L-D's stars.. However, Varina just didn't score quite enough on the way to a 22-55 loss.

The fifth and final district game came against Armstrong, who was coming off an impressive victory over Highland Springs. In bad weather, Varina used the ground game to control the game, even with an injured Ryan Aveson watching from the sidelines. But nobody could control the game enough to punch the ball into the endzone. Regulation time ran out with the teams locked in a scoreless tie, so it was on to overtime, with each team getting four downs to score. The Wildcats got the ball first and they scored, but failed in their extra point attempt. The score was 6-0, with Varina getting their chance from the 10 yard line they also scored. The point after by Michael Aboul-Hosn sealed the victory, 7-6.

With the win, they and ended their season at 6-4 for a fourth place district finish.

Reed, Kraus lead veteran runners, rookie golfers, keeping teams

On Course

A young golf team, over half of the ten playing their first season, finished with a disappointing record of 2-4, but showed their potential for the years to come. Freshmen Russ Turner, Brian Colgin, Andy Fincher, Chris Boggs, Jeff Ramey, and Kenny Trimmer and junior John Minor joined veterans Richard Kraus, Travis Gathright, Bart Holland, Jeff Ramey and Mark Clites. Richard Kraus said, "I think the young guys will develop well."

The golf team began practice in the summer at Brookwood Country Club, where most of their matches took place. Their season began on September 5 against Highland Springs and ended 6 matches later on September 26 against Lee Davis.

The team suffered tough losses despite excellent performances. For example, they lost the first match to Highland Springs by only four strokes. Other close matches were against Lee Davis and Atlee.

Twice, the golfers took out their frustration on Henrico. In the first match, they won 214-218. The second competetion resulted in a 44-stroke massacre, 219-263, led by Kraus's season's best 42.

Kraus and freshman Andy Fincher both showed their skill in post season play with Kraus placing third in the district and regional tournaments and Fincher finishing in the top ten.

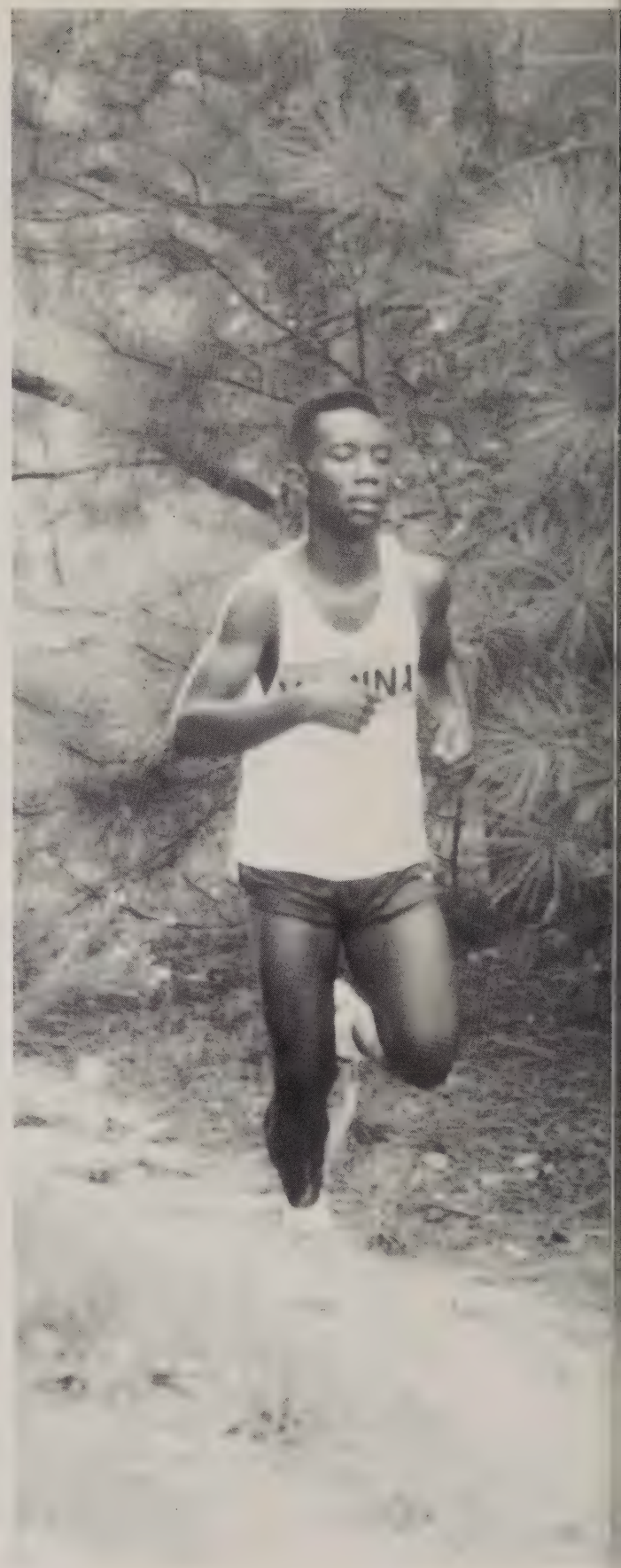
Overall the team placed third in the district and showed great potential in a building season for the young team that allowed the newcomers to gain valuable experience.

As the golf team gained experience, the already experienced cross country team started their season in mid August, running around the campus and down Laburnum Avenue. The team ran continously to better themselves for their performances at their home course at Dorey Park.

While they had a course, the girls really didn't have a team because only two girls ran. But those two runners were two of the best runners in the district, junior Nakoma Sours and freshman Sarah Siewert. They both placed high in district competition, and Sarah set a new freshman course record with a time of 21:51 on the 3.1-mile course. Nakoma also did well with a time of 22:19.

The boys' team had many upperclassman to provide leadership that made for some good times. Two posted good enough times to go on to the regional meet. They were Kevin Reed, named MVP, with a time of 18:49 and Nathan Verlander with a time of 19:06.

The cross country season ended with the boys running up a record or 2-4-1.



athfinder. Junior Henry Davis ollows the nature trail, part of he home cross country course at)orey Park, during a meet.

Reflective moment. Sloan Hollis runs the portion of the home course that circles the pond at Dorey Park.

Swingin'. Three-time regional qualifier Richard Kraus tees off on a par three hole at Brookwood Country Club.

Teed off. Travis Gathright follows his tee shot during a home golf match.

MVP Info

Richard Kraus: "It was great going to the regionals for the third time."

Kevin Reed: "I ran 18:40 against Armstrong. I was about 40 seconds ahead of everybody else."

Varsity Golf

226	H. Springs	222
214	Henrico	218
216	Atlee	191
219	Henrico	263
244	H. Springs	219
222	Lee Davis	201

Record: 2-4

Varsity Golf Team: Front Row: Brian Colgin, Andy Fincher, Chris Boggs, Jeff Ramey; **Back Row:** John Minor, Kenny Trimmer, Mark Clites, Russ Turner, Coach Aaron Cartte.

Cross Country: Coach Kevin Birmingham, Henry Davis, Frankie Buisset, Nathan Verlander, Kevin Reed.

Cross Country

Hopewell	L
Highland Springs	L
Lee-Davis	L
Armstrong	Tie
Henrico	W
Kennedy	W
Atlee	L

Record: 2-4-1

MVP Info

Sheena Banks: "I play better when I have a pressure defense against me and I have to react against what they're doing and I have to make accurate passes."

Girls' Varsity Basketball

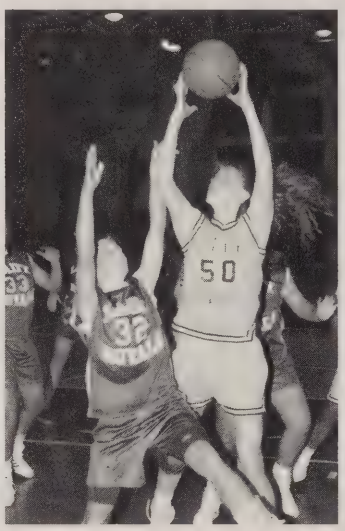
55	Tucker	54
46	Prince George	49
79	Hopewell	86
49	Armstrong	70
68	Hopewell	64
56	Prince George	41
48	H. Springs	72
75	Kennedy	43
72	Atlee	48
66	Lee-Davis	35
49	Tucker	63
58	Armstrong	81
61	Henrico	50
72	H. Springs	82
77	Kennedy	55
71	Atlee	64
61	Lee-Davis	49
52	Henrico	67
52	Kennedy	53

Record: 10-9

Fast break finish. Sheena Banks scores ahead of the Hopewell defense. Transition baskets were a big part of the team's offense.

"Jump, jump." Sherri Lanning takes rap group Kriss Kross's advice and goes up for a long jump shot.

On the rebound. Nicole Conner pulls down a rebound in a home game against Hopewell. The girls beat the Hopewell team 68-64.



Varsity Girls' Basketball Team: Front Row: Margaret Fisher, Che Smith, Kim Sparks, Dana Roots, Meme Bentley; **Back Row:** Coach Mike Wilson, Stevon Collier, Sam Brown, Mindy Gulsinger, Nicole Conner, Tiah Tomlin, Kelly Story, Sheena Banks.

Strategy session. Girls' basketball team members gather around coach Mike Wilson during a timeout.

On the way to a 10-9 record, girls' squad looks to their MVP for 26 points per game, a contribution as good as

Money in the 'Bank'

Thirteen girls came to school wearing jeans, shirts and ties — a standard outfit with a slight variation. One may wonder what sort of occasion may call for such a get-up. Well, these weren't just any girls, these young ladies were the members of the girls' varsity basketball team. They all decided to wear the shirts and ties on the day of their their first game to call attention to themselves and the start of their season.

It worked because that night the Lady Devils defeated the Tucker Tigers in a one-point game. After that they met up with some really tough opponents. By their fourth game, the season had lost its promising outlook because the girls' record stood at 1-3.

They quickly tired of losing and decided to pull a turnaround, coming back to beat both Hopewell and Prince George, two of the teams they had previously lost to. That gave them a more respectable 3-3 record to deal with during the winter break.

When the new year came, the games started up right away. The ladies surged, pulling off strong victories over Kennedy's Lady Cougars, Atlee's Lady Raiders and Lee-Davis' Lady Confederates. They finished their season in third place in the district, falling behind only Armstrong and Highland Springs.

In the district tournament at Atlee High School's brand new gym, the Lady Devils faced Kennedy in the first round. Although they had previously annhilated the Cougars twice, the game proved quite a match up, remaining close the entire time. With three seconds left on the clock, the Varina team was up by one. A foul was called and a Kennedy player went to the line for a one-and-one. Kennedy had made only one of their eight attempted foul shots all night, but they managed to make the last two count. This left the Lady Devils with only a prayer and three seconds to work with. Unfortunately, they couldn't pull it off, and the Kennedy team pulled an upset in the first round.

The girls ended up with a record of 10-9. Sherri Lanning, one of the team's starting forwards, said, "Although we didn't win as many games as we hoped to, I think we all learned a lot, especially some good new moves. We were young and we improved a lot. I think that we will surprise a lot of people next year."

Senior and co-captain Che Smith commented on the strengths of the season, "We finally learned to work together as a team. We worked on good defense and our defense helped us to get the ball more, which improved our offense." For Che, "It felt good to be the only senior on the team. I tried to give leadership that would help to motivate everybody else. I worked hard to make everybody else better."

Sherri thought that their record did not reflect their season, "The best games were the ones when we played against the harder teams. Even if we lost, we always felt good because we played hard and gave them a run for their money. We could always stay up close and make them worry."

Co-captain Sheena Banks was the backbone of the team. She scored a total of 501 points during the season, averaging over 26 points a game. Major support also came from Sam Brown, Sherri Lanning and Nicole Conner.

Sherri Lanning found a spot on the all-district honorable mention team. Nicole Conner made the district all-academic team. Sheena Banks made the first team all-district. She also made the second team all-region as well as the all-metro team.

Down hoops year yields seven

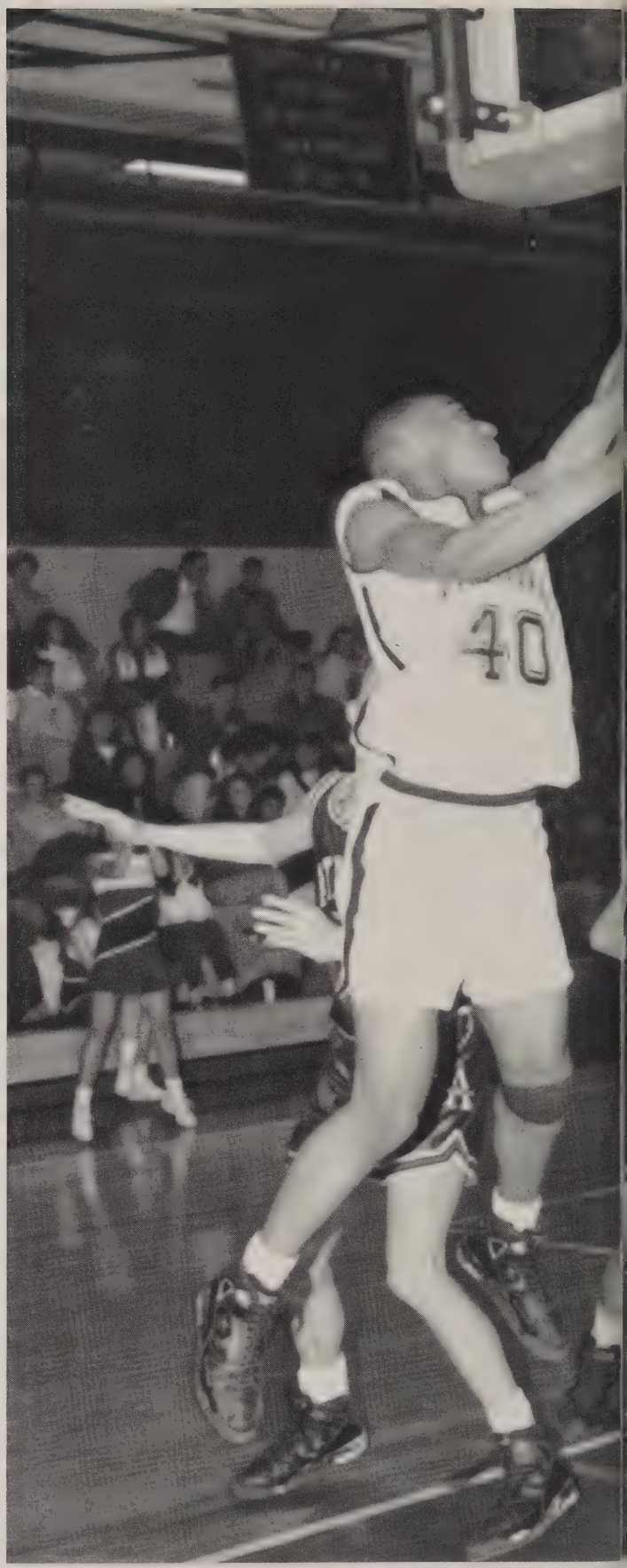
Big Wins

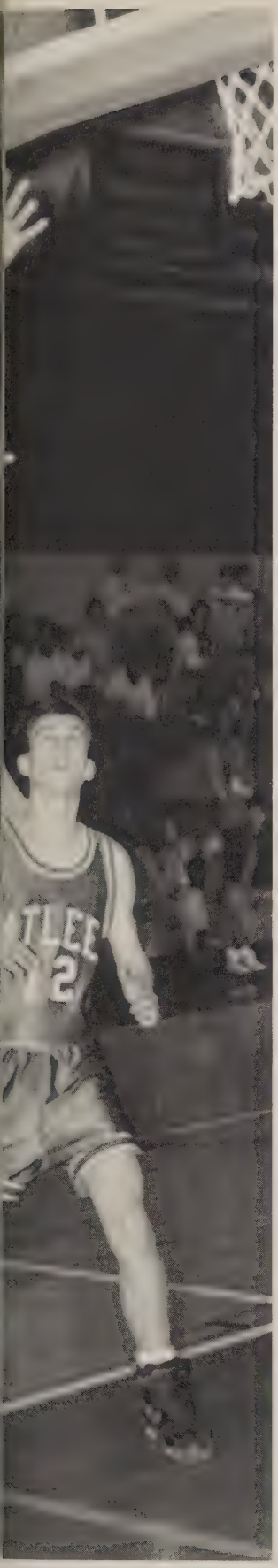
It was an up and down start for a team that unfortunately had more downs than ups. The varsity boys' basketball team started their season with a loss to Meadowbrook on December 2, but they turned it around the next day with a win over Monacan. The turnarounds, however, couldn't outweigh the stumbles, and the boys finished the season with a 7-15 reason.

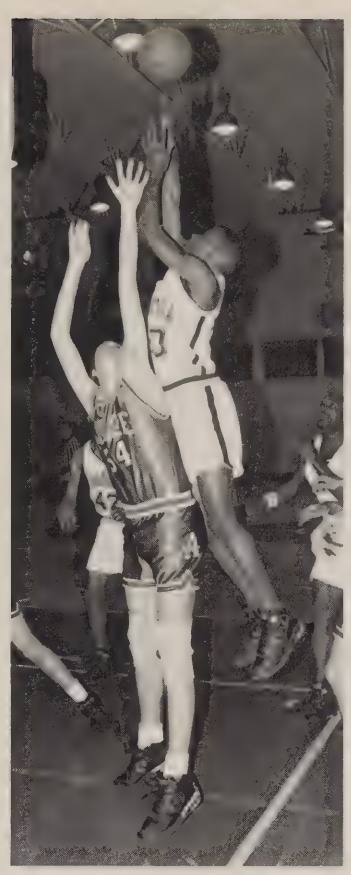
Although the team had only seven wins, they usually won by big margins. To paraphrase a nursery rhyme, "When they were good, they were very very good." For example, James Barnes scored 23 points to lead Varina to a 17-point victory over Hopewell. The team mauled Atlee by 28 points with Leonard Mitchell scoring 14. Mitchell scored a season high 24 points in a 14-point victory over Tucker. They victimized Atlee again 84-62 with the help of Mike Crute's 13 and two three-pointers by Earl Dandridge.

Many of the team's losses were close with players giving excellent performances. They lost to Prince George by three points and to Lee-Davis by only two. Jerquan Austin scored 25, had seven steals and pulled down 11 rebounds in the Lee-Davis game. In a loss to Kennedy, James Barnes scored a season high 30 of the team's 65 points. Henrico won only by a two point buzzer beater at the end of the game to end the regular season. The season ended with a district tournament loss to Kennedy and a record of 7-15.

Leonard Mitchell was named MVP and a member of the first team All-district. Mitchell averaged 16 points per game and shot 54 percent for the year. James Barnes was named Honorable Mention for first team All-district, averaging 15 points per game with 80 steals. Jerquan Austin averaged 10 points and managed to grab an amazing 170 rebounds to lead the team.







Up and over. Forward Mike Crute moves in against the Atlee defender for a short jumper.

Big Plans. Coach Clyde Wilson gathers the varsity basketball team around him during a time-out to set a play.

MVP Info

Most memorable game: "Scoring 30 points against Monacan."

Boys' Varsity Basketball: Front Row: Darrell McLean, Richard Kraus, Mike Crute, Leonard Mitchell, Jerquan Austin, James Barnes, Bart Holland, Chris Gorham, Doug Westerman (mgr.); **Back Row:** Coach Clyde Wilson, Melaney Johnson (mgr.), Gerald Randolph, Robert Morris, Gerald Fountain, Jay Strath, Gerald Napper, Bryan Young, Earl Dandridge, Shunda Giles (mgr.), Assistant coach John Stone.

Board game. Jerquan Austin goes around his Atlee defender and inside for a layup. Austin led the varsity squad with 170 rebounds.

Break time. James Barnes finishes a fast break with an easy two ahead of the defense. Mike Crute trails the play and blocks out the defender.

Varsity Basketball

Meadowbrook	51-62
Monacan	66-63
Midlothian	46-67
Prince George	50-53
Hopewell	73-89
Armstrong	42-66
Hopewell	74-57
Prince George	50-59
HSHS	46-94
Kennedy	65-61
Atlee	70-42
Lee-Davis	64-66
Tucker	68-62
Armstrong	60-70
Henrico	62-66
Tucker	56-42
HSHS	60-74
Kennedy	65-74
Atlee	84-62
Lee-Davis	45-76
Henrico	54-56
Kennedy	40-50

Record: 7-15

Green, Wright lead gymnasts, grapplers in their seasons

On the Mat

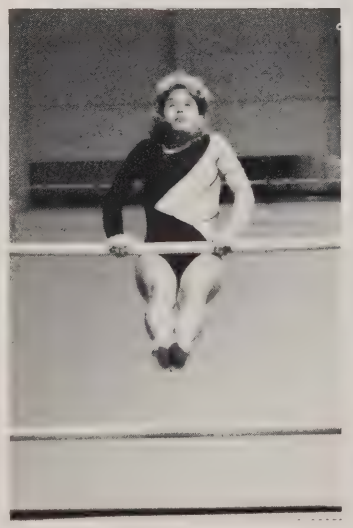
With two experienced gymnasts in Karrie Green and Chantelle Elam, the gymnastics team had a stong nucleus. Karrie was awarded the most valuable gymnast award at the end of the season and Chantelle was given an athletic award for sportsmanship and outstanding performance. The gymnastics team finished very stong in the district for only having six members on the team.

The regionals were held at J.R. Tucker High School and Karrie did exceptionally well, placing 4th in the all-around category and capturing 2nd place with her balance beam routine. Chantelle finished right behind her in 5th place in the region.

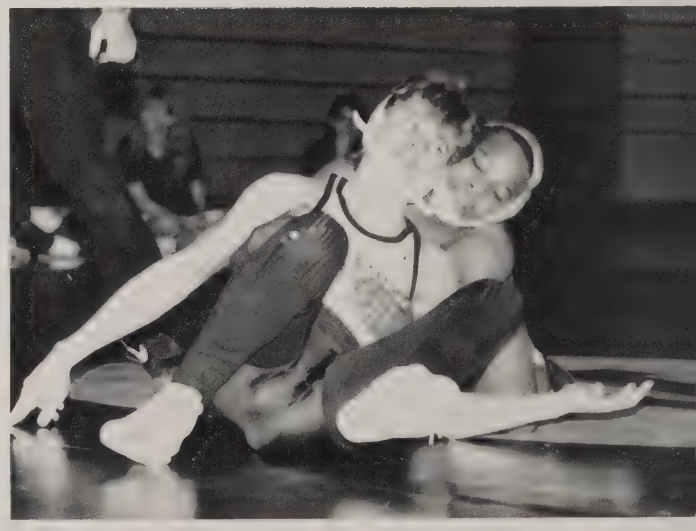
Junior, Nakoma Sours added her two years experience. Shawnte Mitchell and Jennifer Maxey, both freshman, were both solid and poised in competing at the high school level.

The other performers on the mats, the wrestling team, had it a little tougher, coming away with only two victories in a long season. Led by MVP Jason Wright, the team defeated Thomas Jefferson and Huguenot.

Riding high. Jasper Kittrell rides his opponent, trying to take him down.



Flying. Nakoma Sours performs her routine on the uneven parallel bars.



rfect landing. Karrie Green mounts from the uneven rallel bars.

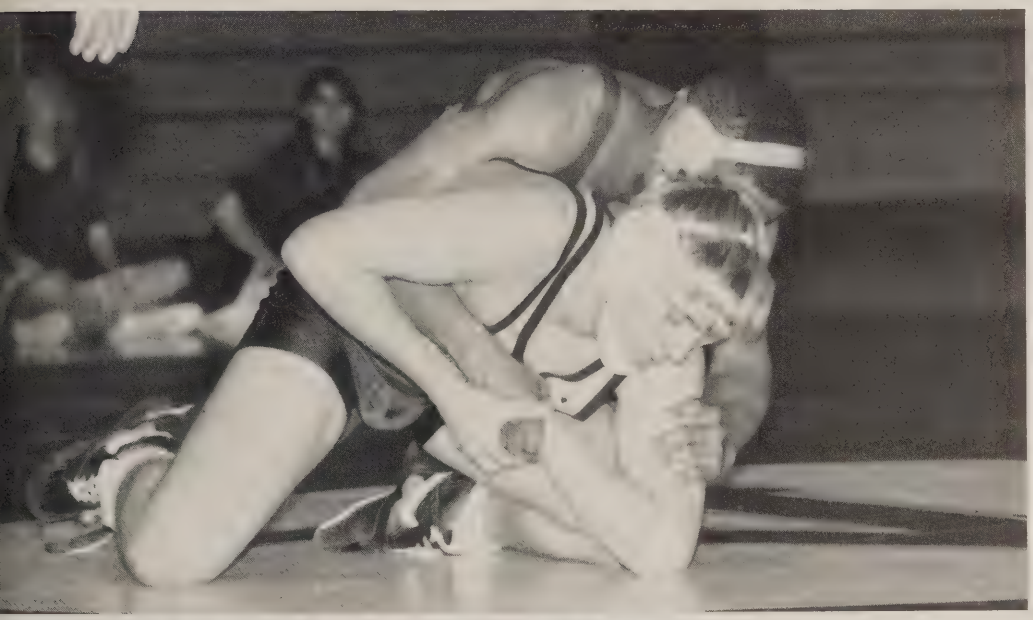
Reaching for the stars. Chantelle Elam performs her floor routine in a gymnastics meet.

Wrestling

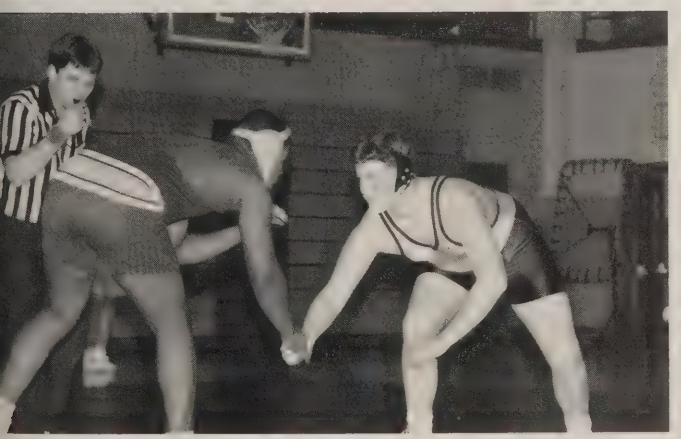
Tucker	L
Thomas Jefferson	W
Midlothian (quad)	3L
HSHS	L
Kennedy	L
Lee-Davis (quad)	3L
Henrico	L
Atlee	L
Patrick Henry	L
King William	L
Huguenot	W

Record: 2-13

Wrestling Team: Front Row: Joel Rice, Jason Salisbury, Curt Gary, David Molands, Chris Boggs, John Scattergood, Jeremy Bethel; **Back Row:** J. B. Green, Madelyn Galimore (mgr.), Christie Craig (mgr.), Shawn Terry, Clarence Adams, Adam Webb, Jason Wright, Brad Sanderson, Tabatha Mc Millen (mgr.), Jessica Meade (mgr), Coach Justin Green.



Under pressure. Brad Sanderson attempts to escape from the hold of his opponent.



cape plan. Adam Webb tempts to execute a sit-out on s opponent.

Let's get started. Shawn Terry shakes hands with his opponent before the match.

Gymnastics Team: Front Row: Karrie Green, Jennifer Maxey, Chantelle Elam; **Second Row:** Jennifer Powell, Nakoma Sours; **Back Row:** Coach Lisa Small, Shawnte Mitchell, Coach John Holloway.

"Soccer" it to 'em. Vikki Clarke, Angie Hardy, Jaime Bauer and Amy Casey cheer the soccer team on.

Summer school. Angie Jenkins and Cristy Duke conduct an August cheering camp at Varina for little league cheerleaders.

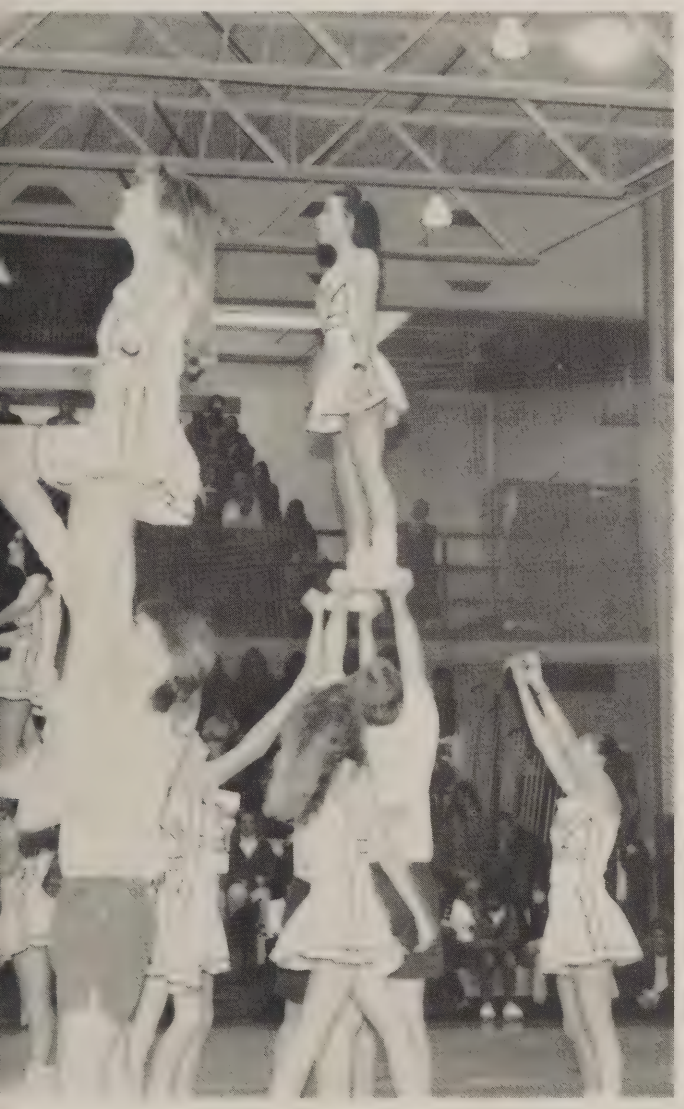
JV Cheerleaders: Front Row: Christina Lindsay, Amy Barden; **Second Row:** Laura Elliotte, Kelly Aplin, Jennifer Powell, Jaime Carter; **Back Row:** Monica Smith, Aisha Jones.

Devilettes: Front Row: Becky Dowdy, Tracy Walton, Wendy Speight; **Back Row:** Vikki Clarke, Jamie Bauer, Mia Charity, Jenny Allanson.

High-flying spirit. Laura Elliotte stands on Jasmin Barnes's hands during a stunt called "Hands" at a jv football game.

Shouldering a load. Ryan Hardiman and Lauren Null do "Chairs" on the hands of John Shurm and Kelly Barden, while Sunny Barnes performs an "Elevator Extension" supported by Phil Harris and Scott Mistr during a pep rally.

Varsity Cheerleaders: Front Row: Jenny Arrighi, Karrie Green, Chantelle Elam, Cristy Duke; **Back Row:** Ryan Hardiman, Jessica Chenault, Farrah Stone, Kelly Barden, Lauren Null.



Addition of three males to squad makes cheerleading

No Longer For Girls Only

The anticipation was greatas 30+ girls sat at home by the phone and waited to find out if they made cheering. But this year the girls were joined by three boys, John Shurm, Phil Harris and Scott Mistr. This was the first year that Varina had male cheerleaders, who started at basketball season because some played football.

The season started over the summer when the varsity, jv and Devilette squads practiced once a week for about six hours. They were making up a dance for competition at a UCA camp at UVA. JV, varsity and the Devilettes won many blue superior ribbons and trophies for cheering competitions.

Throughout the year, there were some unusual happenings. At the last varsity football game, the moms and dads of the senior cheerleaders and football players were to be announced, but you could hardly see them because they were so bundled up. It began snowing that afternoon and lasted until after the game. That may not have seemed too surprising except that it hadn't snowed here in over a year.

Some unusual happenings were much more expensive. At camp, Devilette Wendy Speight accidentally threw away her retainers after a meal. She then had to dig through the trash, but she finally found them.

Aside from all the unusual happenings, all the squads had a good year.

In step. From the track, jv cheerleaders urge the jv football team on to victory in a home game.

MVP Info

Mandi Dunn
124 Strikeouts
54 Hits
456 Batters
122 Innings Pitched

Varsity Softball Team: Front Row: Nakoma Sours, Coleen Wade, Sunny Barnes, Kimn Brewer, Sarah Zeigler, Mandi Dunn, Heather Davis; **Back Row:** Willie Green (mgr.), Assistant Coach, Angie Mc Elroy, Sherri Lanning, Tammy Williams, Kelly Barden, Heather Burrows, Coach Randall Clary.

Varsity Softball

Dinwiddie	4-1
Hopewell	12-0
HSHS	22-0
Lee-Davis	2-3
Henrico	19-0
Freeman	10-0
Hopewell	9-1
godwin	3-1
Atlee	6-1
HSHS	7-2
Dinwiddie	1-0
Armstrong	25-3
Armstrong	9-3
Lee-Davis	7-0
Henrico	18-2
Atlee	2-1
Kennedy	7-0
Kennedy	7-0
Districts	
HSHS	1-0
Atlee	2-0
Regionals	
Hermitage	2-1
Midlothian	1-6

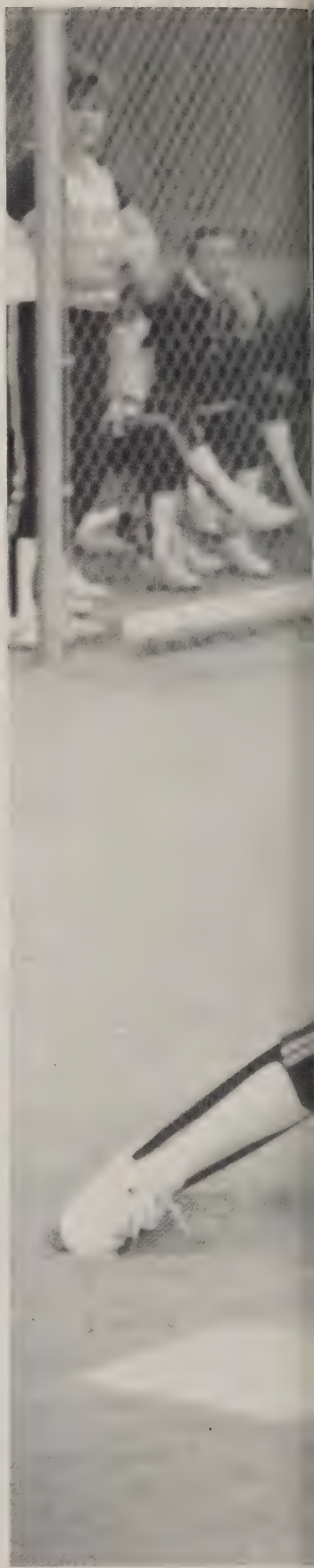
Record: 20-2

Laying one down. MVP Mandi Dunn squares around and drops a bunt right in front of the plate.

Got it. First baseman Heather Burrows grabs a grounder and heads to first for the put-out.

Taking a cut. Best Offensive Player Sarah Zeigler shows her batting form.

Top defense. Kelly Barden, who earned best defensive players honors, makes the throw to first from shortstop.



Behind Mandi's pitching, softball champs cook opposition until they're

Well Dunn

Tradition can be difficult to maintain, but the varsity softball team lived up to its championship tradition. They went 17-1 during the regular season for the district title, swept through the district tournament and made it to the second round of the regional tournament, ending the season with a glittering 20-2 record — what a tradition!

The girls mauled the opposition, outscoring them 162-25 overall. Nope, the other teams didn't score too often, and that could be attributed to the pitching of Mandi Dunn, softball MVP. She fanned 124 batters and gave up only 54 hits in 122 innings pitched.

Kelly Barden, named Best Defensive Player, anchored the defense and helped Mandi limit the scoring. In the offensive category, her 25 hits and 22 r.b.i.'s went a long way toward providing for the team's 165 runs. Sarah Zeigler earned Best Offensive Player honors.

And on the base pads, Nakoma Sours kept the opponents honest. She swiped 26 bases during the season.

The traditionally powerful varsity softball squad certainly maintained their tradition.

Ten seniors anchor baseball squad and lead district champions on a

Torrid Streak

With ten returning seniors who had gotten a taste of regional semi-final action in the previous season, the varsity baseball team had high expectations. Well, they lived up to the hype, tearing through the first ten games of their schedule against tough opponents that included Godwin, Freeman, Highland Springs and Lee-Davis.

By spring break, they looked unstoppable, only dropping a single decision to Highland Springs. The break meant a vacation for most teams, but the baseball team headed for the Lee-Davis invitational tournament. Unfortunately, the mid-nineties weather was hotter than the team, and they absorbed two losses, one to Freeman and one to host Lee-Davis.

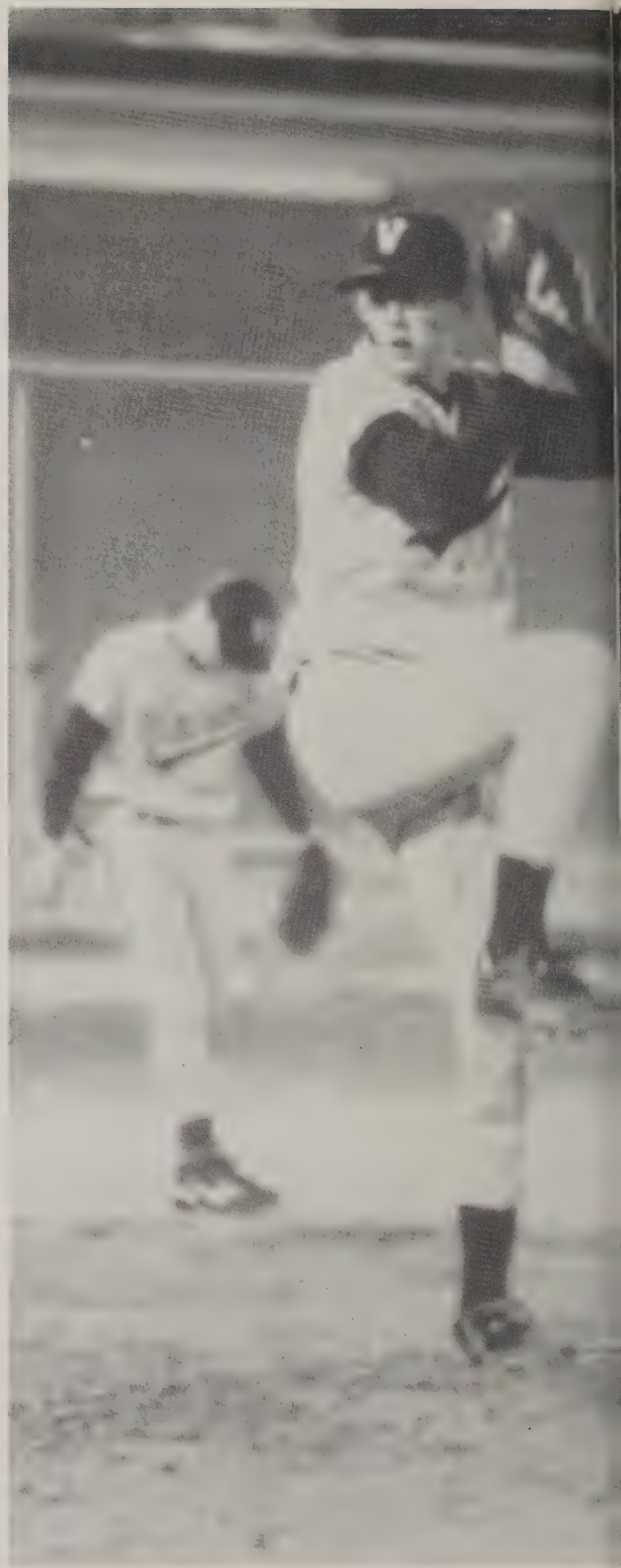
Refusing to be broken by the spring break setbacks, they took the last three games to end the season at 13-3, good enough for a district crown.

They took the next two games, both in the district tournament, for the tourney crown. That set up a match with Hermitage, who proved a tough opponent. They gave it all they had, but it wasn't enough, and they came away with a 6-3 loss. Hopes for a regional or state crown vanished.

But that didn't take the gloss off the team's accomplishments. For example, Shaun O'Neal, 1st team All-District, 2nd team All-Regional and 2nd team All-Metro pitcher, posted a 9-2 record with a 1.30 e.r.a., while batting a respectable .317. Chris White aided the pitching staff with a 1.72 e.r.a., and Randolph Tate closed the door on most opponents with the lowest e.r.a. of 1.07.

The infield did its part on defense with only 18 errors in 19 games. Steve Pearson and Shaun O'Neal anchored the infield with a 96% and 99% fielding percentages, respectively.

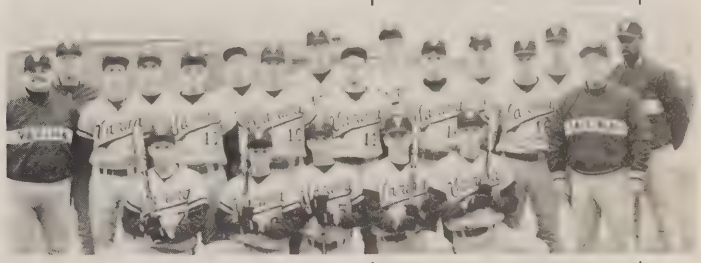
And the offense certainly wasn't a weak spot, scoring 145 runs, stealing 82 bases and sporting a team batting average of .333. Pearson's .436, which he earned with 21 hits, led the team, followed by Keith Cox's .382, Frankie Foley's .370 and Mike Rowe's .365. Of the 82 bases stolen, Mike Rowe accounted for 16 of them.



Fine form. Left-handed ace and MVP Shaun O'Neal delivers a pitch. Shaun had a 1.30 e.r.a. and batted .317.

Long throw. Shortstop Steve Pearson, who fielded at 96% efficiency, grabs a hard grounder before throwing to first in a home game.

Varsity Baseball Team: Front Row: Chris White, Chad Ancarrow, Mike Rowe, Steve Pearson, Scott Allen; **Second Row:** Coach Walter Boswell, Doug Sweeney, Joey Robinson, Jamie Goad, Danny Crumpler, Kevin Hale, Scott Mistr, Coach Barry Burton; **Back Row:** Coach Lane Griffith, Keith Cox, Brad Melton, Shaun O' Neal, Frankie Foley, Randolph Tate, Mike Krevonick, Coach Bernard Moore.

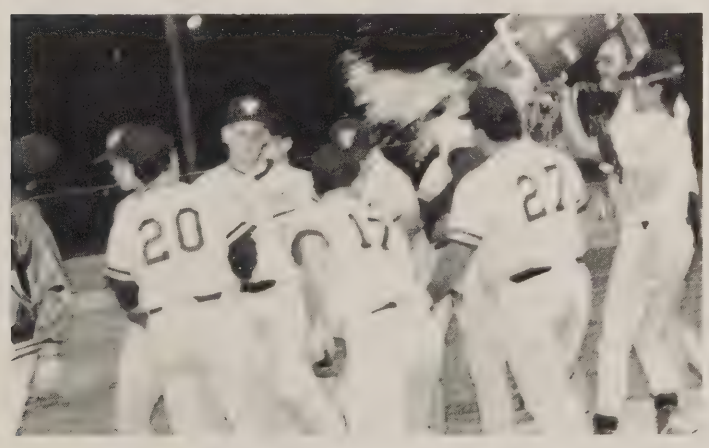


Varsity Baseball

Hopewell	17-0
HSHS	10-0
Armstrong	8-0
Lee-Davis	7-4
Henrico	4-2
Freeman	8-2
Hopewell	8-0
Kennedy	18-3
Godwin	4-1
Atlee	6-5
HSHS	0-3
Freeman	1-6
Lee-Davis	0-5
Armstrong	12-0
Lee-Davis	5-1
Kennedy	7-0
Atlee	11-1
Lee-Davis	4-3
Regionals	
Hermitage	3-6

Record: 15-4

MVP muscle. Co-MVP Keith Cox takes a cut at a pitch. Keith batted .382 for the season.



Soaking celebration. After winning the last regular-season game and clinching the district, varsity baseball team members douse coach Lane Griffith with the contents of the water cooler.

Boys' Soccer

Powhatan	1-0
Prince George	0-4
John Marshall	3-2
Hopewell	0-3
Henrico	1-0
Atlee	0-1
HSHS	0-1
Lee-Davis	0-6
John Marshall	2-1
Atlee	0-4
Henrico	1-1
HSHS	1-4
Lee-Davis	0-4
Districts	
Atlee	1-4

Record: 4-9-1

Girls' Soccer

L.C. Bird	0-11
HSHS	2-1
Atlee	1-2
Hopewell	0-7
HSHS	2-0
Henrico	1-2
Lee-Davis	1-10
Atlee	0-7
St. Gertrude	0-1
Henrico	2-3
HSHS	3-1
Lee-Davis	1-5
Districts	
Lee-Davis	0-6

Record: 3-10

Boys' Soccer Team: Front Row: Brandon Corbett, Wayne Salmon, Virgil Mosu, Kyle Meador, Kirk Bane, Jerry Harlow, Everette Comstock, Mike Prado, Eddie Hidalgo; **Back Row:** K. C. Duncan, Sam Ikenberry, T. R. Fluker, Eric Miles, Quinn Robertson, Yori Tondrowski, Brook Oliver, Thomas Grubbs, Russ Anderson, Jason Reffner, Coach Keith Stainker.

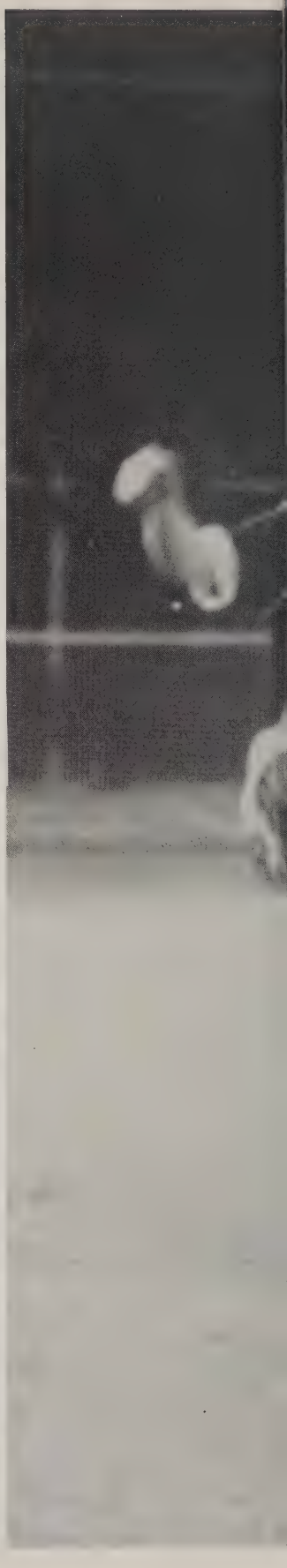
Girls' Soccer Team: Front Row: Kim Osby, Nikki Mc Clain, Lori Kain, Candace Worley, Tracy Walton, Tabatha McMillen; **Second Row:** Nancy Elfino, Sara Batkins, Christina Georghiou, Jane Angulo, Lauren Null, Julie Olgers, Kara Jackson; **Back Row:** Coach Sherri Edwards, April Bane, Meredith Chisom, Jessica Chenault, Alix Hammer, Saedah Mohammad, Sheri Roland, Anna Noller, Carol Harmon (mgr.).

Leftie. Russ Anderson aims for the goal during a soccer match.

Confrontation. Girls' soccer MVP Alix Hammer battles an opponent for possession of the ball.

Attempted steal. Anna Noller moves in on an opponent in an attempt to gain possession.

Up in the air. The balls goes flying as Jessica Chenault and an opponent vie for possession.



With 'Miles' of scoring for boys and Alix to 'Hammer' the enemy girls, teams really

Rock 'em and Socc 'em

Move over, guys, the girls are on their way. With no seniors and no try-outs, 22 young ladies showed up to run and kick and field the school's first girls' soccer team. And in their initial season, they came away with an overall record of 3-10 and a fourth place district finish.

The record included a shut-out of East End rivals Highland Springs. And the record was just short of being an incredible start since four of the losses were by a single goal.

MVP Alix Hammer led the team and joined Anna Noller on the All-District first team. Annie Duong and Tabatha McMillen made second team, while Jessica Chenault, Candace Worley and April Bane earned honorable mention.

Head banger. Jerry Harlow goes up under pressure from an opponent to head the ball toward the offense.

Other awards went to Saedah Mohammad for Best Defensive Player and Kara Jackson as Most Improved Player. April Bane won the Coach's Award.

The boys' team also claimed a fourth place district finish with an overall record of 4-9-1. They started the season with the Varina Invitational Tournament, where they took the opener 1-0 from Powhatan but fell in the finals to Prince George 4-0. Other wins came over John Marhsall twice and Henrico.

MVP Eric Miles led the scoring for the Blue Devils, kicking in four goals. He earned honorable mention All-District.

Eddie Hidalgo was named to the first team All-District and got honorable mention All-Region. Virgil Mosu and Wayne Salmon made second team All-District. Kyle Meador earned honorable mention notice as well.

Boys handle district competition, finish so far ahead they look like

Teenage Runaways

Coached by Ed Bulheller, Gary Chilcoat and Kevin Birmingham, the boys' track team finished the season at 7-1, capturing the regular season crown and claiming the district meet by beating all opponents by at least 50 points.

At the districts, 20 young men helped to capture 29 places in 16 different events. Teddy Lewis claimed the top spot in the high jump and triple jump, while Mike Crute finished first in the 200m dash. The 3200m relay team of Kevin Reed, Jervon Moore, Calvin Callahan and MVP Titus Dan grabbed a first with a new school record of 8:32.0.

Competitors placing in the top six advanced to the regionals, where Ryan Aveson took a second in the discus and a fourth in the shot. Teddy Lewis high jumped to third and triple jumped to sixth. And the 400m relay team of Kevin Cotman, Charles Woods, Charles Futrell and Mike Crute finished sixth.

While the boys were cruising, the girls finished fifth in the district tournament and ran up a 4-3 record with a number of individual accomplishments.

At the districts 10 ladies scored 66 points by capturing 15 medals in 14 events. Dana Roots took the district championship in the discus with a toss of 102'11'' and set a new school and district meet record. She went on to place fifth in the regional meet.

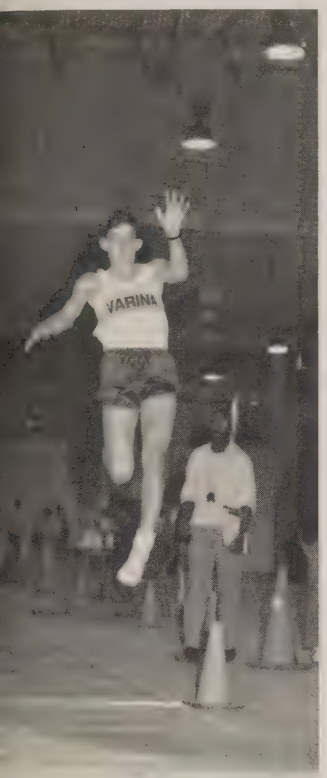
Sam Brown, who was named team MVP, placed second in the shot, fifth in the 100m and competed on the 400m and 1600m relay teams.

Earlier in the year, a number of track team members had honed their skills on the indoor track team. They found themselves doing a bit of traveling on Saturday mornings to invitational meets, where scores weren't kept.

However, at the district meet, Teddy Lewis took first in the triple jump and third in the long jump. His jump qualified him for the regionals where he took fourth in the long jump. Titus Dan was the 1000m champ and placed third in the high jump. He took sixth in the 1000m at the regionals, as well. Kevin Reed placed sixth in the 1600 m, while Nathan Verlander took a sixth in the 3200m.

Jason Page and Derick Atkins soared to third and fifth place finishes in the pole vault, and Dominique Friend placed fifth in the long jump and sixth in the 300m. Sarah Siewert placed fifth in the 1600m.

Fine form. Dana Roots tosses the discus, the event in which she set a district record.



Airborne. MVP Titus Dan keeps an eye on the pit in the long jump at an indoor meet.

Almost. Travis Whitlow strains to clear the pole vault bar in a home track meet.

On track. Julie Jinette runs a distance event at an indoor track meet. .

Boys' Track

Armstrong	102-39
Lee-Davis	62-79
Henrico	91-50
Kennedy	115-26
HSHS	87-50
Armstrong	112-13
Patrick Henry	94-47
Atlee	103-38

Record: 7-1

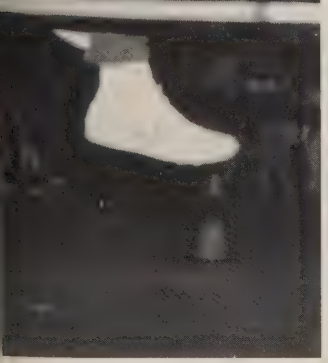
Boys' Track Team: Front Row: Nathan Verlander, Travis Whitlow, Derick Atkins, Jason Page, Clarence Adams, Sloan Hollis, Titus Dan, Reis Alsberry, Willie Green, Daniel Mathews; **Second Row:** Brian Henshaw, Shawn Terry,Andy Conyngham, Charles Woods, Michael Green, Gary Bagby, Jervon Moore, Jason Pohill, Kevin Reed, Henry Davis, Michael Aboul-Hosn; **Back Row:** Phil Harris, Brian Harrison, Calvin Callahan, Chris Eggleston, Greg Durrette, Colby Sydnor, Jeff Thomas, Kevin Cotman, Frankie Buisset, Jason Stevens, Jay Strath.

Girls' Track

Armstrong	89-30
Lee-Davis	53-78
Henrico	59-67
Kennedy	63-62
HSHS	52-68
Armstrong	97-13
Patrick Henry	53-78
Atlee	75-50

Record: 4-3

Girls Track Team: Front Row: Sarah Siewert, Julie Jinette, Nancy Taylor, Tammy Kersey; **Back Row:** Howardetter Gregory, Rachel McCormick, Nicole Conner, Ira McClure, Crystal Gardner.



Indoor Track Team: Front Row: Jessica Groff, Toya Friend; **Second Row:** Nancy Taylor, Julie Jinette, Dominique Friend, Veronica Mitchell, Nakoma Sours, Sarah Siewert; **Third Row:** Colby Sydnor, Clarence Adams, Kevin Reed, Robert Chamberlain, Sloan Hollis, Henry Davis, Titus Dan; **Back Row:** Derick Atkins, Brian Harrison, Jason Page, Teddy Lewis, Frankie Buisset, Nathan Verlander, Tris Jones, Coach Kevin Birmingham.

Back flip. Regional qualifier Teddy Lewis clears the bar in the high jump at an indoor meet.

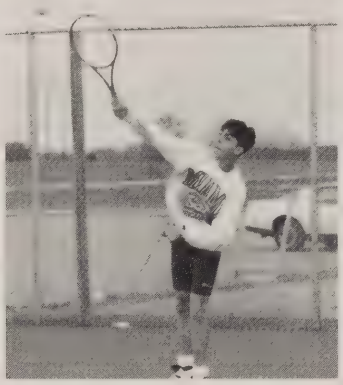
Boys' Tennis

HSHS	3-6
Lee-Davis	5-3
Kennedy	9-0
Armstrong	8-1
Henrico	9-0
Atlee	8-1
HSHS	4-5
Armstrong	9-0
Lee-Davis	6-3
Henrico	8-1
Kennedy	9-0
Atlee	9-0
Playoffs	
Thomas Dale	3-6

Record: 10-3

Boys' Tennis Team: Front Row: Clint King, Ryan Wick, Matt Kraus, John Grant, Jake Whitlow, Wynn Soriano, Chuck Day; **Back Row:** Coach Sharon Dearth, Shana Fone (mgr.), Thu-Hang Tran (mgr.), Jason Butler, Jeff Seal, Dean Munro, Raj Patel, Paul Acors, Jimmy Stanley, Jennifer Altic (mgr.), Shannon Comer (mgr.), Assistant Coach Sonny Dearth.

Reach for the sky. Raj Patel extends himself to get more "oomph" into his first serve.



"The Wall." Showing how she earned the name "The Wall," Melissa Elliotte returns a shot.

Bending. Andras Bullock gets low to get power behind his backhand return.

Girls' Tennis Team: Front Row: Shannon Comer, Melissa Elliotte, Sarah Zeigler, Coleen Wade, Amy Robins, Jill Timberlake, Jennifer Ferrell; **Back Row:** Andras Bullock (mgr.), Jennifer Altic, Shana Fone, Shanda Barnes, Ellen Yeaman, Shannon Burgess, Mandi Dunn, Thu- Hang Tran, Coach Sharon Dearth.

Girls' Tennis

Godwin	0-9
HSHS	9-0
Armstrong	9-0
Atlee	3-6
Lee-Davis	8-1
Henrico	7-2
HSHS	8-1
Armstrong	9-0
Atlee	4-5
Hermitage	7-2
Lee-Davis	8-1
Henrico	7-2
Playoffs	
Midlothian	0-9

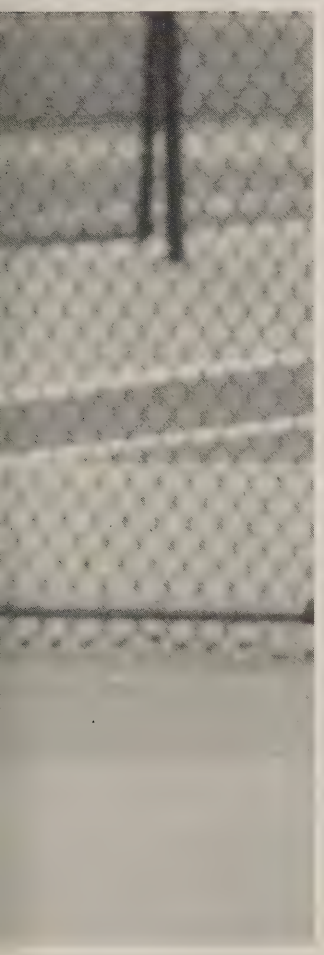
Record: 9-4

MVP's

Sarah Zeigler

Jason Butler

Jeff Seal



Flying follow-through. Dean Munro leaves his feet from the effort expended on his first serve.

Getting the scoop. Coleen Wade digs out a deep return with a two-handed backhand.

Both squads repeat performances on court, and are happy to

Do It Again

A lot can happen with a team of 19 determined, hard-working young ladies, and the girls' tennis team proved it during the fall season, which they ended with a 9-3 record and a second place finish in the district.

The season included strong wins over rivals Lee-Davis and Highland Springs twice. Armstrong, Henrico, and Hermitage also fell, and the girls qualified for regional play. On the way to regionals, Coleen Wade earned a district medal in singles competition.

Their accomplishments almost mirrored the previous year's performance, when the girls finished second, went to the regionals and played Midlothian.

The girls were strong contenders on the court and in the classroom, with eight members named to the district All-Academic team: Shanda Barnes, Shannon Comer, Mandi Dunn, Melissa Elliotte, Jennifer Ferrell, Thu-Hang Tran, Coleen Wade and Sarah Zeigler. Coleen also won regional All-Academic honors.

Sarah Zeigler took the MVP award. Shannon Comer received the Sansone Sportsmanship Award, and Mandi Dunn was named Most Improved. The coach's awards went to Meghan Corbett and Coleen Wade, and Melissa Elliotte got tagged with the name "The Wall" for her steady play and unflagging returns.

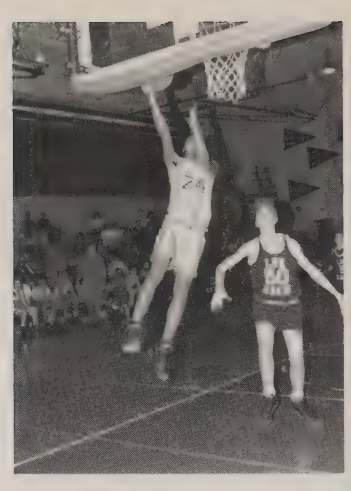
When spring rolled around, the little yellow balls started bouncing back and forth again. This time it was for the boys, and the results were similar. They finished the season at 10-2, losing only to Highland Springs. This gave them a second place finish in the district, a repeat performance of the previous season. As it did for the girls, this earned them a trip to the regionals

In one particularly strong match, the boys wiped out Kennedy without losing evena single game in the top six singles. They also knocked off Lee-Davis twice during the regular season. Then during the district tournament, the doubles team of Jeff Seal and Craig Redford made it to the finals.

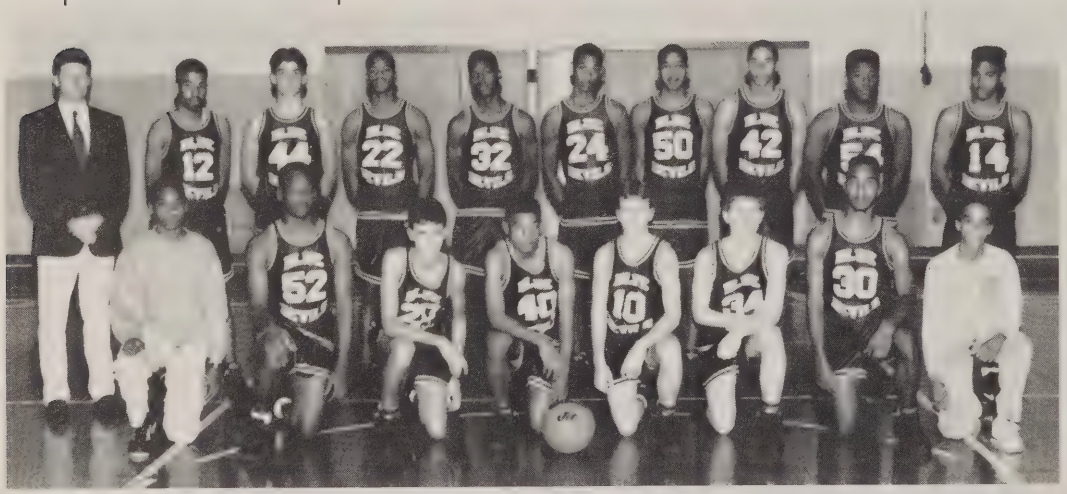
And the boys' team had its scholars, with seven district All-Academic qualifiers: Paul Acors, Matt Kraus, Dean Munro, Raj Patel, Jeff Seal, Jake Whitlow and Ryan Wick. Jeff Seal, who also won Most Improved, and Jason Butler took MVP awards, while Dean Munro and Craig Redford received the Sansone Sprotsmanship Award. Matt Burns was recognized as having the hardest serve, and Raj Patel was named Marathon Man. Best Big Match Player award went to Andras Bullock.

JV Squads

JV Football Team: Front Row: Sean Banks, Vincent Hodges, Doug Shaw, Cory Hall, Mark Madison, Orenthal Golden, Virgil Hockaday; **Second Row:** Michael Butler, Jason Reese, Barry Atkins, Jesse Anders, John Neering, Jason Meade, Jacob Diaz, Colin Solomon; **Back Row:** Zach Earls, Allen Tate, Derick ARtis, Antione Shaw, Brian Mc Lean, Tarvell Jones, Darrell Logan, Bernard Minor, Gary Bagby. **Record: 2-6**

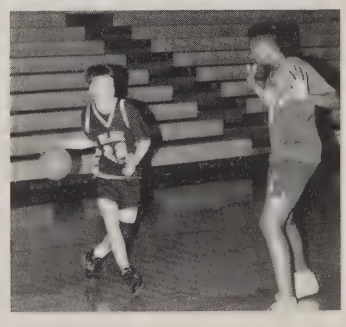


On the break. Kevin Cotman finishes a fast break ahead of the Lee-Davis defense for the jv basketball team.



JV Basketball Team: Front Row: Steven Diggs, Jaleel Hilliard, Richard Catlett, Jervon Moore, Travis Gathright, Buddy Baskette, Bernard Minor, Willie Banks (mgr.).; **Back Row:** Coach Tracy Tucker, C. J. Atkins, Reid Mc Daniel, Dingo Futrell, Rod Davis, Kevin Cotman, Joey Pridgen, Lex Lewis, Bobby Hewlett, Mario Fleming. **Record: 12-6**

Making a move. Ninth grade basketball player Marc Bohanon looks for an opening to drive to the basket in a home game against Henrico.



Short jumper. Travis Gathright puts up a shot from just inside the foul line.

Lay up. Bobby Hewlett races ahead of the defenders for an easy two. The jv basketball squad raced ahead of all opponents to start the season, winning their first eleven contests

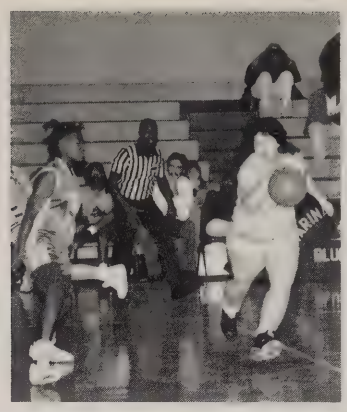
Under pressure. Going inside against Lee-Davis, Joey Pridgen pulls up for a short jumper.

Inside moves. Brian O'Neal scores for the ninth grade squad on a soft left-hander in the paint.

Out of my way. Tarvell Jones drives into the paint for a shot in a ninth grade game.

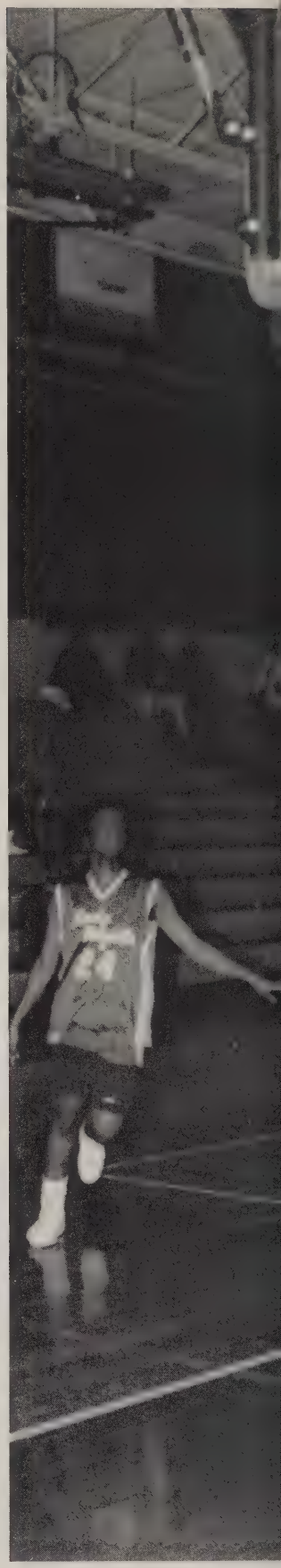
JV Squads

JV Girls' Basketball Team: Front Row: Tara Jackson, Jessica Smith, Marsha Ford, Jennifer Peterson, Shawnte Mitchell, Reshonda Alston, Nicki Caldwell; **Back Row:** Jermaine Branch (mgr.), Kara Jackson, Michelle Haliman, Alisha Tucker, Ira Mc Clure, Tracy Belvin, Andrea Charity, April Bane, Coach Aaron Cartte. **Record: 7-4**



Backcourt ballhandling. April Bane dribbles around the defending guard.

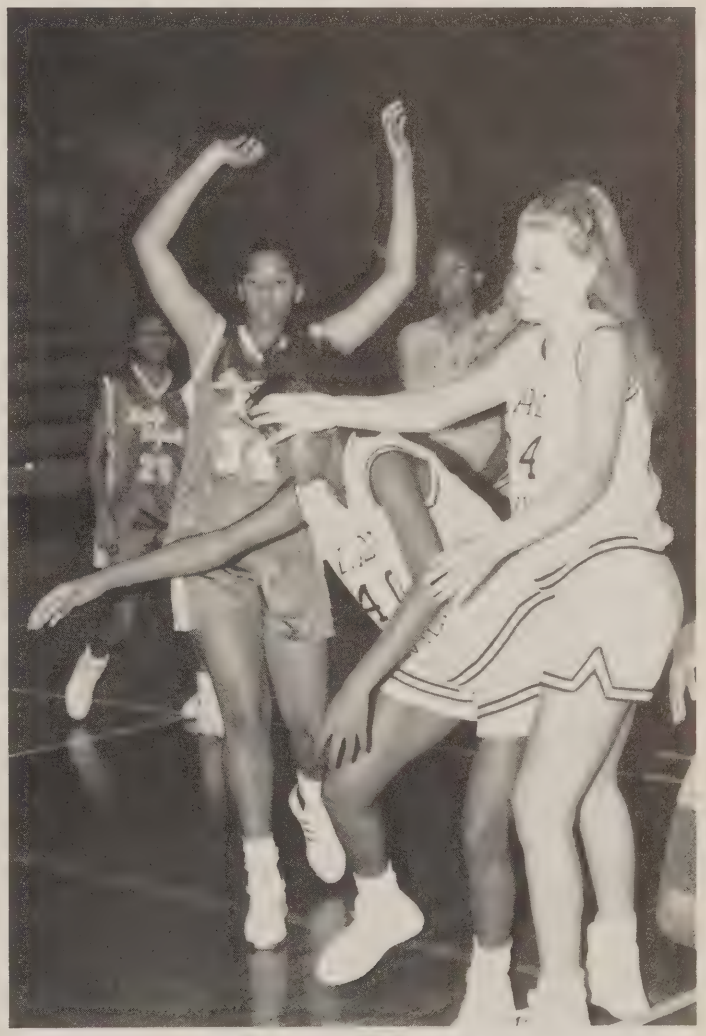
JV Volleyball Team: Front Row: Kara Jackson, Kim Osby, Annette Pennazoli, Jennifer Lanthrip, Crystal Gardner; **Back Row:** Lori Burwell, Vikki Clarke, Lisa Anderson, Jamie Tanner, Coach Stuart Bernstein. **Record: 2-2-1**



On the run. Shawnte Mitchell finishes up a fast break with a lay up while Alicia Tucker blocks out the opposing rebounders.

Sticky defense. Jennifer Peterson gets right up in the opposing guard's face and reaches for the ball in an attempt at a steal.

Loose ball. In tight quarters underneath the basket, Reshonda Alston and Tracy Belvin go after a loose ball on the floor.



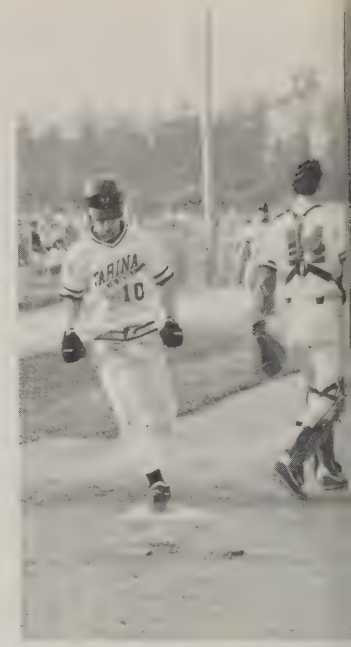
JV Champs

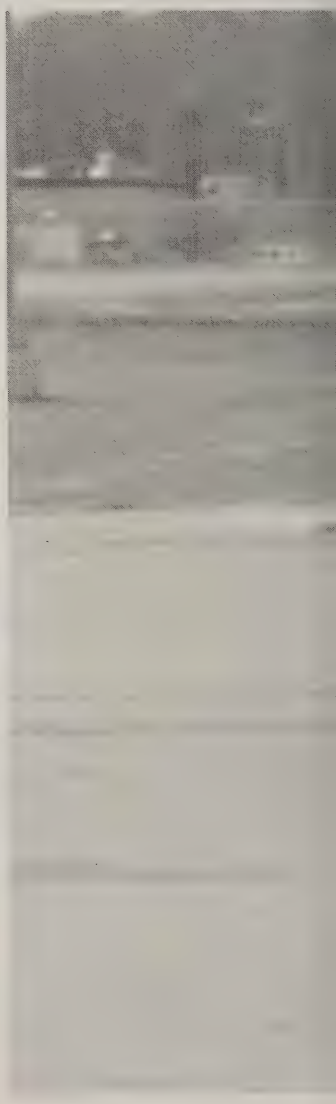
Dual District Titles

JV Softball Team: Front Row: Kim Felts, Norma Radvany, Kellie Smith, Amy Robins, Ellen Yeaman, Tiffany Hall, Amy Barden, Stacy Atkins, Donna Wade; **Back Row:** Assistant Coach John Holloway, Julie Holmes, Stacy Gooch, Brandi Allen, Jasmin Barnes, Crystal Judy, Tracy Moore, Parrish Terry, Jennifer Ferrell, Coach Glen Rudacille.
Record: 15-1
District Champs

Taking a cut. Parrish Terry swings at a pitch at an away jv softball game. Tracy Moore waits on deck.

One in. Kenny Trimmer, who had doubled, scores on Damon Burrows single in the jv baseball team's 5-4 win over Godwin.





JV Baseball Team: Front Row: David Lewis, Lee Tyree, Travis Gathright, Buddy Baskette, Marc Bohanon; **Second Row:** Jermaine Branch (mgr.), Todd Withrow, Eddie Livesay, Robbie Webb, Eric Fitzgerald, Peter Pawluk, Victor Johnson (mgr.); **Back Row:** Coach Stuart Bernstein, Kelly Klee, Kenny Trimmer, Kevin Snyder, Darrell Spears, Darrell Logan, Damon Burrows, Brian O'Neal.
Record: 13-3
District Champs

Play at the plate. Crystal Judy fields a grounder and throws to the plate to get the runner trying to score. Amy Barden had come off the mound to chase the ball.

Stretching. Damon Burrows delivers a pitch against Godwin in an away game.

Over to first. Shortstop Travis Gathright lets the ball fly to nail the runner after fielding a grounder.

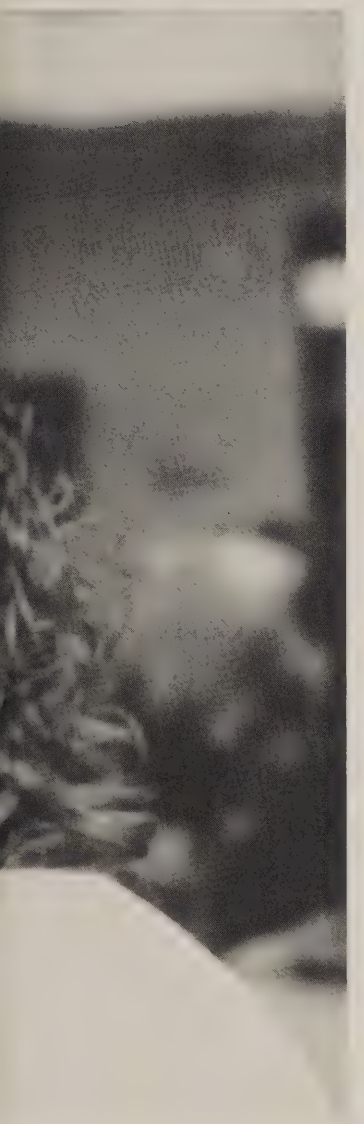
Dressed to kill. Clad in gear from the Roaring Twenties, sophomore Jessica Smith takes notes in her seventh period English class on 20's Day during Homecoming week.

Golden oldies. Faculty members Robin Osborne, Patty Willis, Kris Haskins, Susan Heslep, Joey Boehling and Dave Gammon get down in a dance contest at a pep rally.

Homecoming spirit. Patty Orick, Patricia Garner, Mindy Guisinger and Stephanie Parker anticipate a victory at the Homecoming pep rally in the gym.

Formal communication. During a lull in the prom activities, Mike Krevonick spells out a message on the table in glitter.

Whooo! Caught off guard, Angie Sears stares wide-eyed into the camera.



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East End Style. Pick any Blue Devil out of the crowd, and you've picked somebody with style because they're a stylish bunch—every single one of them. It's an individual style. It's EastEnd Style—as many variations as there are Varinians.

People

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Diverse to Classify

We had 1268 students on campus, and that meant 1268 individuals.

We had scramblers who procrastinated on assignments until T.A. or lunch. And there were the speed walkers whose classes were located at both ends of our sprawling campus.

We had mail checkers who haunted the mailbox for college admissions news and some planning new careers in the military.

Then there were those who had spent the summer washing buses for the junior class, spent their money on multiple pairs of sneakers or spent spare time doing volunteer work.

Yes, we were diverse — so diverse that we needed our own zip code to identify us. That was East End Style.

Beginning of the End

Student speakers, academic awards highlight Convocation

Only weeks after the beginning of the school year on September 26, students and faculty all anticipated the senior processional into the gym. The 1991 Senior Convocation and Honors Assembly began as the seniors ceremoniously took their seats.

Senior Class President Karrie Green welcomed everyone to the assembly, and the Virginia Air National Guard Color Guard handled the presentation of colors. The formalities continued as Historian Ryan Hardiman led the Pledge of Allegiance, and the band played the "Star Spangled Banner." Reverend Teresa Major, senior Annie Downs' sister, gave the invocation which was then followed by a choral presentation of "A Time To Shine."

Instead of the traditional keynote speaker, the seniors decided to do it themselves. Brooke Welsh began by calling it the "non-traditional, traditional speech." She introduced the theme "Partners In Excellence" as well as the next speakers Christy Allen and Shawn Burgess. Christy and Shawn stressed will power, motivation, and striving for a personal best.

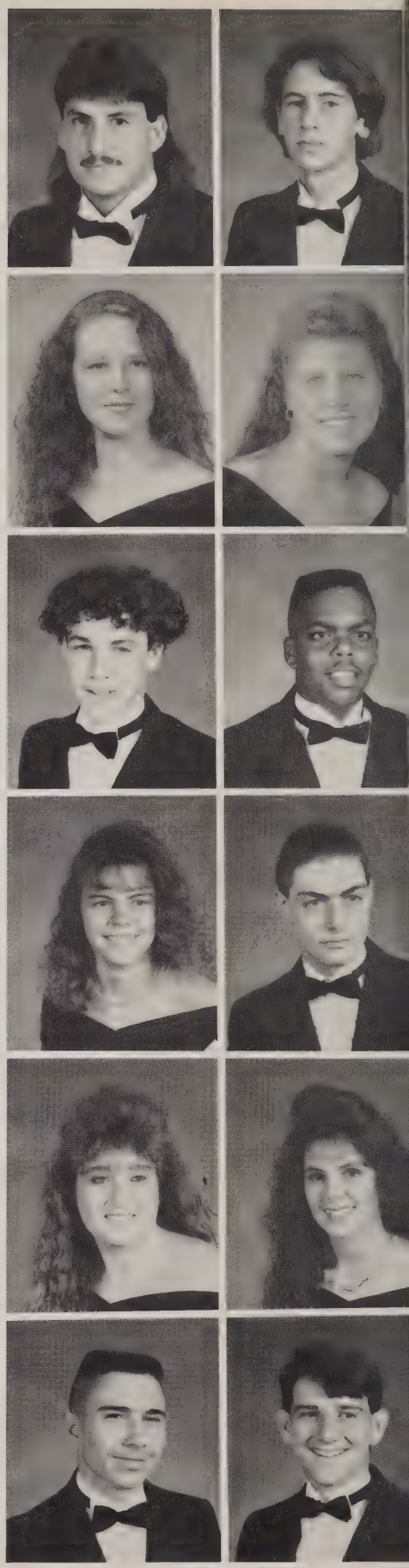
Sarah Zeigler and Leonard Mitchell told students to get something out of school, and Kelly Barden and Dean Munro iterated that "the day dosen't end when the bell rings."

Kim Sparks and Steve Pearson ended the speeches by urging students to be responsible and keep a good attitude.

The assembly continued as Dr. Nelson introduced Mrs. Velma Shirey as the recipient of the Distinguished Graduate Award. Mrs. Shirley Daniel first spoke about Mrs. Shirey because she taught her in physical education and was her cheering and basketball coach. Mrs. Daniel said Mrs. Shirey was a very involved student and liked a challenge. After Mrs. Shirey received her award, Mrs. Linda Gilliam presented the academic awards. Twenty-four spohomores, one junior, and eighteen seniors received an academic letter for all A's and B's. One sophomore and six seniors were awarded Academic Ribbons for all B's, and eighteen juniors and nineteen seniors received the lamp of learning pin for all A's and B's for two straight years

The seniors were dismissed at ten o'clock and were ready to begin their last year at Varina.

Partners in Excellence. Student speakers Dean Munro and Kelly Barden address the audience at Senior Convocation in one of the student speeches aimed at the theme for the year, "Partners in Excellence."



Michael Ziad Aboul-Hosn (Bull): Football 2-4 (1st Team All-District & All-Regional 4), Track 4.
Gregory Louis Aigner (Greg): Quill & Scroll 4, *Varinian* 4.
Travis Holder Aigner (Travis)
Christina Marie Allen (Christy): Key Club 3-4, Keyettes 2-4, SODA 2-4, German Club 1-2, Psycho-Art 4, NHS 3-4, Beta 3-4, Thespians 1-4 (Pres. 4), National Forensics League 2-4, CLASSIC 2-4, Marching Band 2, Girls' State 3, Governor's School for the Performing Arts 3, All State Acting Team 2, Student Government Day 4, Virginia Leadership Conference, "Barefoot in the Park," "Bye Bye Birdie," "Pomp and Circumstances," "Voices from the High School," "Little Shop of Horrors," "Steel Magnolias," "Grease," "Seventeenth Summer," "Louder, I Can't Hear You," " Guys and Dolls."
Scott David Allen (Scott): Key Club 3-4,k Psycho-Art 3-4, French Club 1, Baseball 2-4.

Leslie Carol Altic (Leslie): FBLA 2-3, French Club 4, Keyettes 4, NHS 3-4, Beta 3-4 (VP 4), All-County Band 4, Superintendent's Scholar 4, Virginia Honor Band 1-3, Marching Band 1-4, Concert Band 3-4, Symphonic Band 3-4, Outstanding Business Student 3.
Tanya Suzette Amstutz (Tanya): French Club 1, Strings 1-4, Color Guard 4, HERO 4, SODA 4.
Maria Renee Antonellini
Todd Cyrus Armentrout (Todd)
Jennifer Lynn Arrighi (Jenny): French Club 1-2, SODA 3-4, Psycho-Art 3-4, Key Club 3-4 (Sec. 4), Forensics 1-3, FHA 2, Gymnastics 2, Cheerleader 4, Student Exchange 2-4, "Little Shop of Horrors," "Grease," "Bye Bye Birdie," "Guys and Dolls," "Pomp and Circumstances," "Barefoot in the Park," "Seventeenth Summer, "Steel Magnolias."

Benjamin David Ashworth (Benji): Key Club 3, Tennis 1-2, *Varinian* 4.
Kelly Wade Atkins (Kelly): DECA 4, FHA 3.
Terri Dawn Atkinson (Terri): Psycho-Art 3-4, FBLA 1, Devilettes 2, HERO 4, Rifle Squad 1-2, Color Guard 3-4, Indoor Color Guard 3-4 (Capt. 4).
Jerquan Marion Austin (Jerquan): Basketball 3-4.
Ryan Larch Aveson (Ryan)

Wendy Michelle Baer (Wendy): NHS 3-4, Beta 3-4, Keyettes 3-4, TSA 3-4, Psycho-Art 3-4 (Co-Pres. 4), Color Guard 1-4 (Co-capt. 4), Winter Guard 2-4, Leadership Conference 4.
Hollis Lee Ball
Hubert Franklin Balser, Jr. (Frankie)
Kirk Lindy Bane (Kirk): Soccer 1-4 (Co-capt. 4), CLASSIC 3.
Kelly Lynn Barden (Kelly): German Club 4, SODA 3-4, HERO 3, JV Cheering 1-2 (Capt. 2) Varsity Cheering 3-4 (Capt. 4) JV Softball 1-2 (Capt. 2), Varsity Softball 3-4 (Capt. 4), 1st Team All-District and All-Regional 4, All-State team 4, Best Defensive Player 4.

Denise Ann Barlow (Denise): FBLA 4, FHA 1-3, COE 4.
Tonya Lynn Barlow (Tonya): DECA 2-4 (Treas. 3, District VP 4).
James Jerome Barnes
Shelly Jean Barnes (Shelly): French Club 1-4, SODA 4, Color Guard 2-4, Winter Guard 2-4 (Co-Capt. 4), *Paradox* 4.
Kenneth Wayne Barnett (Kenny): VICA 4, DECA 3, Bassmasters 3, TSA 1-4, Cross Country 1, JV Baseball mgr. 1, JV Girls' Basketball mgr. 2.

Alexander Eugene Battles (Alex): NHS 3-4, Beta 3-4, Science Club 3-4.
Warren Keith Beagle (Keith): Nat'l Forensics League 4, Marching Band 2-4, Concert Band 3, Jazz Band 4, Science Club 4, SODA 4, Forensics 3-4, Beta 4, Thespians Treas. 4, Va. Honor Band 2-3, "Bye Bye Birdie," "Grease," "Seventeenth Summer," " Steel Magnolias," Student Exchange Day 3.
Robert Dale Beasley (Robbie)
Margarite Reynolds Benedetti (Meg): Latin Club 1, Peer Advisory 3, Psycho-Art 4, Science Club 4, TEACH 4, Key Club 4, *Varinian* 4, Color Guard 1-4 (Co-Capt. 4), JV Softball 1-2, Band Historian 4.
Wendy Mae Banfield (Wendy)

Tamesha O'Kee Bentley (Meme): FBLA 1, FHA 1-4, HERO Chairman 4, Pep Club 2-3, JV Girls' Basketball 2, Varsity Girls' Basketball 4, Track 3-4.
Terisa Janet Berczes (Teri): FHA 1, VICA 3-4.
Gerald Baxter Besecker (Jerry): HERO, JV Football 1-2, Varsity Football 3-4.
Kiva Arionne Best (Kiva): FBLA 3, DECA 4, Pep Club 1, Beta 4.
Daniel Lee Biggerstaff (Danny): VICA 4, Aviation Program 3-4 (First County Participant)

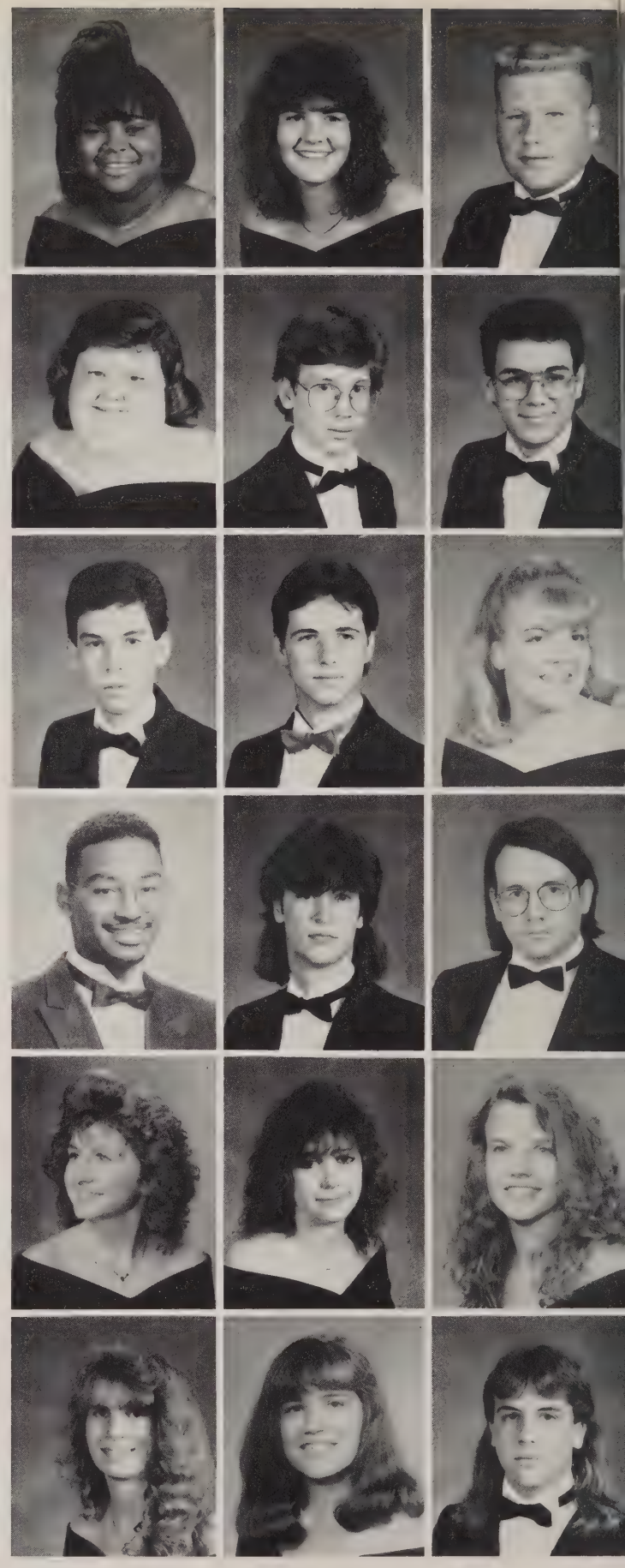
Wendi Renei Boltz
George Earnest Bond, III
Frank Allen Bryant, Jr. (Frank): TSA 1-4, Marching Band 2-4, Beta 3-4, NHS 3-4.
Georgia Ann Buisset
Andras West Bullock

Shawn Theodore Burgess (Shawn): SODA 3-4, Battle of the Brains 2-4 (Capt. 3-4), NHS 3-4, Beta 3-4 (Pres. 4), CLASSIC 2-4 (Capt. 3-4), Latin Club 1, FBLA 1, Latin Academy 4, Governor's School 3, Valedictorian 4.
Matthew Douglas Lee Burns (Matt): Psycho-Art 4, Thespians 4, Bassmasters 3, Madrigals 1, CLASSIC 1-4, Concert Choir 1-4, Marching Band 4, Tennis 3-4, All Va. Choir 3-4, All County Chorus 1-4, Regional Chorus 1-4, "Bye Bye Birdie," "Little Shop of Horrors," "Guys and Dolls."
Heather Renee Burrows (Heather): FHA 4, HERO 3, Psycho-Art 4, Beta 3-4, SODA 3-4, JV Basketball 1, Varsity Basketball 2, JV Softball 1-2, Varsity Softball 3-4 (2nd Team All District, All-Academic), Volleyball 2-4 (1st Team All-District, All-Regional, All-Academic, Co-Capt. & MVP).
Shawn Christopher Burt (Shawn): French Club 1.
Martha Elizabeth Burton (Beth): Color Guard 1-4, Indoor Guard 2, Psycho-Art 3-4, SODA 4, Beta 3-4.

Sherman Lee Burwell, Jr.
Leroy Alvin Bussells, Jr. (Lee)
Keith Aaron Cable (Keith): JV Football 1, Thespians 4, John Phillip Sousa Award 4, Band 1-4 (Drum Capt. 2-4).
Christopher Aaron Capece (Chris)
Michael Allen Carter (Michael): French Club 1, VICA 3-4, Psycho-Art 4, Track 1, Homecoming Court 4.

Tracy Paige Carter (Tracy): FBLA 4, COE 4. Volleyball 2-3, Arts & Technology Participant 2-3.
Misty Marie Chandler (Misty): FBLA 1-2, DECA 3-4.
Jennifer Lynn Chenault (Jennifer): NHS 3-4 (Sec. 4), Beta 3-4, Spanish Club 2-3, SODA 3-4, Keyettes 3-4, Color Guard 1-4 (Co-Capt. 4), CLASSIC 3, *Varinian* 4.
Sherry Lynn Childress
Mark Allen Clites (Mark): VICA 1-4, 9th Grade Basketball, Golf 2-3.

Jennifer Lee Coakley (Jenni): Student Advisory 1, SADD 3, TA Rep. 1, FHA 4.
Mary Kristin Comer (Kristin): Madrigals 1, NHS 3-4 (Treas. 4), Beta 3-4, FBLA 4, SODA 3-4, Keyettes 4, Va. Honor Band 1-3, All-County Band 3-4, All-District Band 3-4, Outstanding Business Student 3, All-County Orchestra 3, Highest Biology II Average 3, Marching Band 1-4 (Pres. 4), Symphonic Band 4, Va. Leadership Conference 4, HOBY Leadership Conference 2, Drum Major 4.
Ronald Lee Cook, Jr. (R.J.)
Eric Scott Cooper (Scott)
Meghan Marie Corbett (Meghan): HERO 4, Tennis, Softball, Softball mgr., Homecoming Court 4.



The Big Wait

Meeting the mailman in hopes of thick letters has college-bound seniors sweating it out

Sweaty palms. Cotton-mouth. Heart palpitations and high anxiety. No, this wasn't some rural form of malaria, it was the feeling that washed over every senior before opening the mailbox. As the notification dates got closer and closer, seniors remembered every childhood Sunday school prayer, hoping to finally get that letter of acceptance from college.

Matt Burns applied to six different colleges, and spent about $100 in application fees. During the wait he said, "It's frustrating going through all of the trouble of applying and auditioning and then not hearing anything for months. I'm ready to pull my hair out waiting."

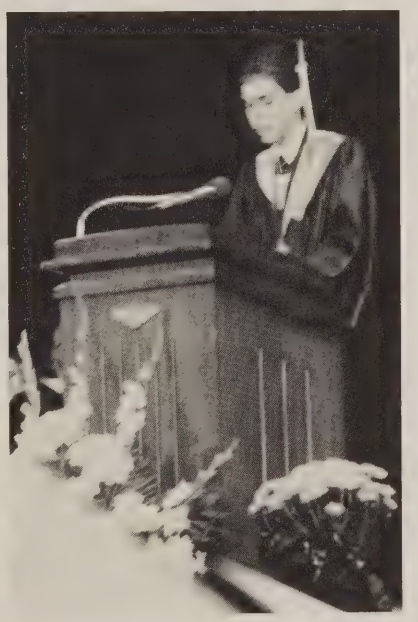
Sometimes, even once the letters arrived, the stress still didn't cease. Paula Patterson received a rather thin envelope from the admissions office of one of the colleges she applied to and was afraid to open it. Finally, after two days of staring at the unopened thing, she ripped it open only to find, to her delight, that it was only a letter requesting that her semester grades be sent soon.

Matt Bennett was pursued by one college constantly. In March, he said, "So far they've sent me three applications, a video tape, two Christmas cards, one New Year's day card, they've asked me to visit and have called me from the college in Lynchburg." It seemed as if he could get in, no trouble at all. The only problem was, he didn't plan on going to college.

Janna Perry, intent on studying international studies, definitely planned to go to college. She received a $40,000 scholarship to American University in Washington, D.C. Hopefully, that money would help make up for the $150 she spent applying to six different colleges. Even after receiving such a large amount of money from one college, she still wasn't sure that she wanted to go there. "I want to wait and hear from all of the colleges I applied to before I make a decision," she said.

Stress about research papers and exams couldn't hold a candle to the ultimate fear that waiting for college mail could evoke. Never in your life did you think the mailman would be so important.

North-bound scholar. Co-valedictorian Shawn Burgess delivers his speech during graduation at the Mosque. Shawn was headed for Dartmouth after finishing his high school career.



It's Catching

As June draws near, senioritis grows to epidemic proportions

Some People would tell you that being late to school, not doing homework and sleeping in class were signs of a bad student. Well, they were; but seniors would tell you that they were also signs of something else — just a side effect of having senioritis.

What was senioritis? Matt Burns said, "It's the apathy for school that only affects seniors." Billy Davis added, "Senioritis is like a disease that can only be cured by graduating."

How did you know if you had it? Well, Tracettia Robinson said, "I knew I had it the second I didn't feel like coming to school anymore".

Some of the other symptoms of senioritis included laziness, failure to turn in assignments on time, sleeping in class, tardiness, oversleeping in the morning and the feeling that the closer you got to graduation the slower time seemed to pass.

Senioritis was something that had been around since there were first seniors; but luckily, it was curable.

Beginning of the end. Kevin Hale and Shaun O' Neal check out their graduation packets in the library. The arrival of caps, gowns, announcements and cards marked the onset of senioritis for many potential graduates.

Patricia Ann Corker (Tricia): Marching Band 1.
April Diane Cox (April): HERO 4, Psycho-Art 3-4, Key Club 3-4, Keyettes 4, Softball mgr. 1.
Keith Preston Cox (Keith): Key Club 1-2, Peer Advisors 1, Volleyball 3-4 (1st Team All-District), Baseball 1-4 (All-Metro, All-Region, 1st Team All-District).
Danny Lewis Crumpler (Danny): DECA 3-4, Volleybvall 2-4, Baseball 1,4.
Airren Ramal Dabney (Airren): Science Club 4, French Club 3, Beta Club 4, JV Football 2, Varsity Football 3-4, Prom Fashion Show 4, Va. Power Minorities Leadership Seminar, Richmond Area Program for Minorities in Engineering.

Titus Mircea Dan (Titus): Beta Club 4, Cross Country 1-4, Indoor Track 3-4 (MVP 4), Track 1-4.
David Lee Davenport (David): DECA 4.
Rebecca Carlene Davis (Rebecca): FBLA 1,4, Peer Advisor Sec'y. 4, Outstanding Business Ed. Student 3.
William Edward Davis (Billy)
Dawn Michelle Dimmette (Dawn)

Edna Nirawun Douangdara
Meredith Ann Downs (Annie): color Guard 2-3, Symphonic Band 1-3, Psycho-Art 3-4 (VP 4), HERO 4, Rifles 1, Peer Advisory 3, Student Exchange 2-3, Virginia Honor Band 1-3, "Grease."
Brian Major Duncan
Candace Lynn Dungee (Candi): FHA 1-2, FBLA 1-4, COE 4.
Lynwood Miles Dyson, III (Lynwood): Spanish Club 1-2, DECA 3, FHA 4.

Arnold Hudgins Eberly, III
Kristen Elizabeth Eberly (Kristen NHS 3-4, Beta 3-4, Keyettes 3-4 (Sec. 4), SODA 2-4, French Club 4, Science Club 3-4, Color Guard 1-4, Winter Guard 2, Va. Leadership Conference, CLASSIC 3-4, Student Exchange 3.
Carmen Lynn Edmonds (Carmen): DECA 4, FHA 1, Rifles 1, Chorus 1.
Jennifer Lynn Edwards (Jenn): SODA 3-4, Psycho-Art 3-4 (Co-Pres. 4), Beta 3-4, TEACH 4, Quill & Scroll 4, Color Guard 1-4, Winter Guard 2, *Paradox*, CLASSIC 3, Leadership Conference 4.
Chantelle Nicole Elam (Chantelle): FBLA 1, SODA 3-4, Student Council VP 4, Gymnastics 1-4 (Capt. 3-4, MVP 3), Cheerleading 1-4 (Capt., Most Valuable Cheerleader 4).

Melissa Ann Elliotte (Melissa): SODA 3-4, Key Club 3, Psycho-Art 3-4 (Treas. 4), Beta 4, Tennis 1-4, Model UN 2-3, CLASSIC 3.
Patricia Englehart
William Thomas Franklin Evans: Psycho-Art 4.
Daniel William Fadely
Angela Lynn Fidler

Roxanne Lynnette Finley (Roxanne): HERO 3-4, FHA 3-4.
Natoya Yvette Fisher (Yvette): Beta 4, FBLA 4.
Linda R. Flannagan
Angela Michele Fleece (Angie): Peer Advisors 3-4, CLASSIC 2-4, All-County Strings 1-4, Youth Orchestra 1-2, JMU Spring String Thing 1-4.
Robert Earl Forsyth, III

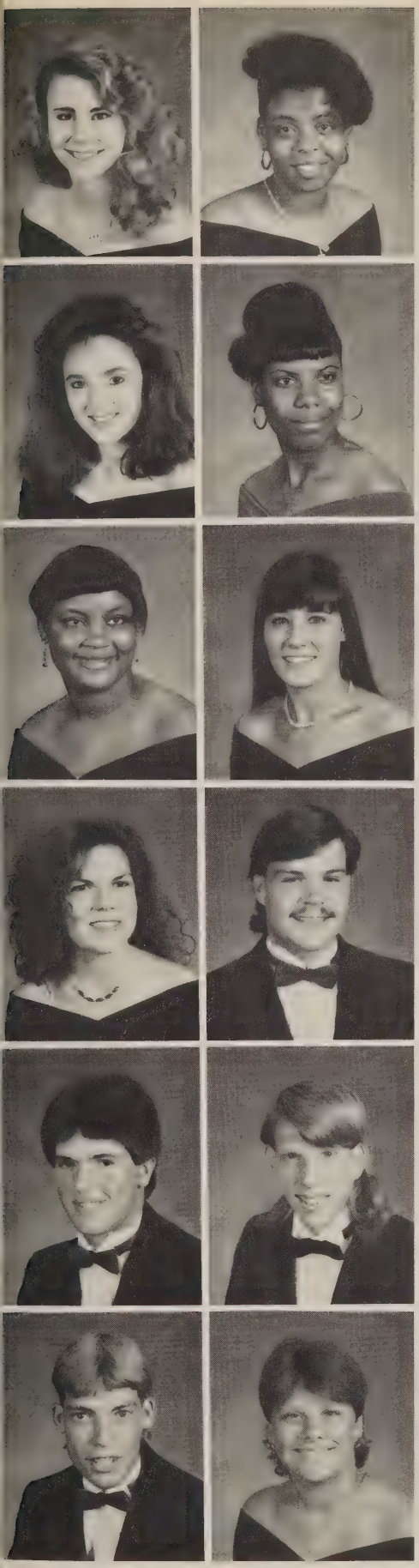
Robin LaVerne Foster (Robin): FHA 2, FBLA 4, 1st Place FBLA Business Law Competition 4.
Tammy Sue Franklin
Dominique Nicole Friend (Dominique): Color Guard 3-4, Indoor Track 1-4 (Capt. 3-4, MVP 3), Track 1-4 (Capt. 3-4, MVP 3), Cross Country 2.
Dena C. Fulton
Harriet Melissa Futrell

Windley Anne Goulding (Ley): Red Cross 4, Chorus 4, *Varinian* 2-4, Gymnastics mgr. 3, Student Exchange 3, Miss Varina Pageant 3.
Melissa Corinne Gill (Melissa): NHS 3-4 (VP 4), Beta 3-4, SODA 3-4, Spanish Club 2-3, Key Club 3, Science Club 4, Japanese Club 2-4, Color Guard 1-4 (Co-capt. 4), Indoor Guard 2-4, HOBY Leadership Conference 1, Va. Leadership Conference 4, CLASSIC 3-4, Student Exchange 3-4.
Lisa Kaye Gilliland
Francesca Rene Gonzales
Joey Nicole Goodwyn (Nicky): Peer Advisor 3-4 (Pres. 4), SODA 3-4, Beta 3-4, Student Government Day.

Christopher Ruben Gorham (Chris): FBLA 4, 9th Grade Basketball, JV Basketball 2, Basketball 4, Prom Fashion Show 4.
George Grayson Gosney, III (Gray): SODA 3-4, Forensics 2-3, French Club 1, Key Club 3-4 (VP 4), Beta 3-4, Thespians 3-4, "Pomp & Circumstances," "Little Shop of Horrors," " Steel Magnolias," "Grease," " Seventeenth Summer," " Guys and Dolls," Student Exchange 3.
Angela Marie Grant (Angie): Science Club 4, FBLA 4, Marching Band 1-2.
Donna Michelle Gray (Donna): Beta 4, DECA 3-4, SODA 4, Pep Club 3.
Karrie Elizabeth Green (Karrie): SODA 3-4, Thespians 3-4 (Hist. 4), Beta 3-4, German Club 1-2, JV Cheering 1-2, Varsity Cheering 3-4, Gymnastics 1-4, Homecoming Court 4, Grad. Honor Attendant 3, Prom Court 4, Class President 3-4, "Little Shop of Horrors," " Echo," "Voices from the High School," "Diary of Adam and Ever," "Pomp & Circumstances," "Steel Magnolias," "Grease," "Seventeenth Summer," "Guys and Dolls."
Timothy Edward Green (Tim)
Willie Green, III (Willie): Beta, VICA, Vice Pres. of HSHS Auto Mech I-II, VICA Delegate 3.
Tammy Lashawn Grubb (Tammy): FHA 1-2, FBLA 3-4.
Julie Janeen Guinn
Michael David Gwaltney (Mike): Bassmasters 3.

Amy Lynn Hagwood
Kevin Scott Hale (Kevin): Key Club 4, Psycho-Art 4, French Club 1-2, 9th Grade Basketball, JV Baseball 1-2, Baseball 3-4, volleyball 2-4 (2nd team All-District 2, 2nd team All-County 2,4) Homecoming Court 4, Prom King 4, Biggest Flirt, Everyone's Friend.
John Arthur Hall (Artie)
Christopher Scott Hamilton (Chris): Beta 3-4, NHS 3-4, Baseball 1-2.
William Lawrence Hanvey

Jennifer Ryan Hardiman (Ryan): SODA 2-4, Key Club 2-4 (Sec. 3, Treas. 4), Psycho-Art 3-4, NHS 3-4, FHA 4, Beta 3-4, *Varinian* 4, History Club 4, Keyettes 1-2, TEACH 4, Cheering 3-4, Prom Court 4, Principal's Scholar 3, Jefferson Book Award 3, Governor's School Nominee 3, Model General Asembly 3, Prom Fashion Show 4, Class Historian 3-4, Student Exchange 2-4.
Aaron Thomas Harding (Aaron): VICA 3-4, Tennis 1.
Rodney Alan Harmon (Rodney): TSA 1-4, Beta 3-4, NHS 3-4, Science Club 4, Volleyball 3-4, Student Gov't. Day 4.
David Brian Harrison (Brian): VICA 3-4, Football, Indoor Track, Track.
Margie Rebecca Harrison (Margie): NHS 3-4, Beta 3-4, Psycho-Art 3-4, Key Club 3-4, Marching Band 1-4, Ray Croc Youth Achievement Award.



Formal Preview

Prom fashion show sets stage for April affair at the Radisson

What better way to get juniors and seniors in the prom going mood than to hold a prom fashion show with students as the models? The senior class did just that on Thursday, February 27, during seventh period in the auditorium.

Preparations began long before with auditioners trying out by walking across the stage with the grace and agility of a real model. The senior stars chosen rehearsed for three days before the show during fifth, sixth and seventh periods. The practices paid off, and the show raised approximately $900.

Classic Bridal Designs fitted the models with dresses and tuxedos. The participants made use of whatever formal wear was available. This created a few problems because when showtime came around, things didn't go exactly as planned.

Minutes before the show, Sherman Burwell raced to Classic Bridal Designs to pick up his forgotten tuxedo.

Other models had to pin their dresses to make them fit as a temporary solution. The strap of Ryan Hardiman's pink dress refused to stay up, and she held her arm out to prevent the dress from falling to the floor.

Brooke Welsh suffered a similar problem when her short, strapless, fuschia dress with an overlay of black lace was three sizes too big.

The coordinator gave some participants of the fashion show a chance to do some real modeling at a bridal show held at the Airport Hilton. This inspired Connie McKann to think about pursuing modeling as a possible career. "I was very excited when asked to model and hope to continue to do so after high school," Connie said.

Despite unexpected surprises, the models along with sponsor Mrs. Mary Dick pulled it off successfully.

In the spotlight. Down the steps and toward the runway, Brooke Welsh and Denver Oakley stroll arm in arm during the Senior Class's Prom Fashion Preview in the auditorium.

Military Preparedness

Military careers lure graduates

As graduation approached, many seniors finalized their plans to go away to college, get financial aid, send final transcripts or take out loans. Others, however, had different plans all together. They were heading for the military.

Senior Nikki Walton looked forward to July 21, when she would head to the navy. She intended to become a mechanical engineer, and she felt that the navy was the best way to get the training she wanted. Nikki said that it was the free education and travel opportunities that led her to that decision, as well as the fact that a lot of her family were in the navy.

Gerald Napper was another graduate bound for the armed forces. Set to go in on August 11, Gerald said he first considered joining after a recruiter called him in reference to his ASVAB scores. He said, "They called me and said I did very well on the tests and offered me $23,800 to help pay for college, so how could I say no?" He hoped to use the experience to lead to a career as a computer programmer.

Of the 60,000 students who applied to the Air Force Academy Prep School, only 1,400 were accepted for admission. Sloan Hollis was one of the qualified applicants, and on July 29, he boarded a plane to Colorado to begin his training to become an air force pilot and officer. Commenting on his acceptance, Sloan said, "You have to have good grades and be an all-around type of person.

So although nearly everyone's immediate plans after graduation meant heading for the beach, there were a number who had longer-range plans after that.

Marching music. Marching band member Mac Tyree performs during a halftime band routine. Mac, however, would soon be marching to the beat of a different drummer when he entered the air force.

Michael Scott Haun
Steven Mitchell Hawley, Jr. (Steve): SODA 4, Red Cross 4, CLASSIC 3, Graduation Speaker 4.
Rhonda Kay Haynes (Rhonda): COE 3-4.
Robert Lee Hicks, Jr.
Sloan Lee Hollis (Sloan): Science Club 1-4 (Sec. 3-4, Treas. 4), Beta 3-4, Psycho-Art 3, Peer Advisors 3, Class Treasurer 3-4, Cross Country 3-4 (All-Academic 3-4), Indoor Track 3-4 (All-Academic 3-4), Track 3-4 (All-Academic 3-4), Boys State 3, CLASSIC 2-4.

Gary Wayne Holmes
Jeffrey Scott Houston
Joan Christel Houston (Joan): Marching Band 2, VICA 3-4.
Karen Diane Hughes
April Marie Hykes (April): JV Cheering 2 (Most Spirited Cheerleader 2), Wrestling mgr. 2.

Lukita Demame James
Vanessa Jefferson (Vanessa): FBLA 1-2, COE 3, DECA 4.
Rebecca Calloway Jenkins (Becky): FBLA 1, SCA Secretary 4, Softball mgr. 3.
Charlotte Angela Jinnette
Kristie Janel Johnathan (Kristie): French Club 3-4, Beta 4, FBLA 4, Outstanding Business Student 3-4.

Rebecca Rose Johns (Rebecca): Keyettes 1-4 (VP 4), Key Club 4, Beta 3-4, SODA 2-4, *Varina Conncection* 2-4 (Editor 4), Psycho-Art 3-4, FBLA 4, Quill & Scroll 4, JV Softball 1, Softball 2-3 (All-District 2), JV Cheering 1-2, Va. Leadership Conference 4, Student Gov't. Day 4, Color Guard 3-4, Honor Attendant 3, Student Exchange 4.
DeShay Johnson (DeShay): French Club 2-3, Pep Club 1-2, VICA 3-4 (Pres. 3, VP 4), Track 3, 2nd place Va. State Beauticians Association 4, Band 1.
Shannon R. Johnson
Sadonna Effie Jones (Sadonna): DECA.
Jason Jordan

Tammy Lynn Kane
Janette Marion Kennedy (Janette):: NHS 4, Beta 3-4, FBLA 3-4 (Pres. 4), SODA 4, Outstanding Business Student 3.
Stacey Renee King (Stacey): Beta 3-4, NHS 3-4, Psycho-Art 4, Tennis 4, Superintendent's Scholar 4, Quill & Scroll 4, Jazz Band 4, Salutatorian.
Michelle C. Knick
Asa Dora Konradsdottir (Dora): Foreign Exchange Student (Iceland), Cross Country 4.

Daniel Matthew Kunkel (Danny): Bassmasters Pres. 2-3, DECA 4.
Leticia Tamara Lawrence (Leticia): COE 4, FBLA 4, 2nd place in FBLA Job Description Competition.
Brian Andrew Lee
Andrew Dean Lewis
Patrick Edward Loughlin (Pat): *Devil's Advocate* 1.

Angela May Lunceford (Angie): SODA 3-4, Psycho-Art 4, Homecoming Attendant 3, Homecoming Princess 4.
Kimberly Jane Lund (Kim): Class Secretary 1-3, SODA 3-4, SCA VP of Service 4, Psycho-Art 3, Beta 3-4, Key Club 3-4, Color Guard 2-4, Indoor Guard 2, Marching Band 1, Honor Attendant 3, Homecoming Attendant 2, Homecoming Princess 4, Girls' State Alt. 3.
Elmo Jason Mann
Fleming Ira Marshall
Hudson Lee Marston, Jr. (Sonny): FHA 4.

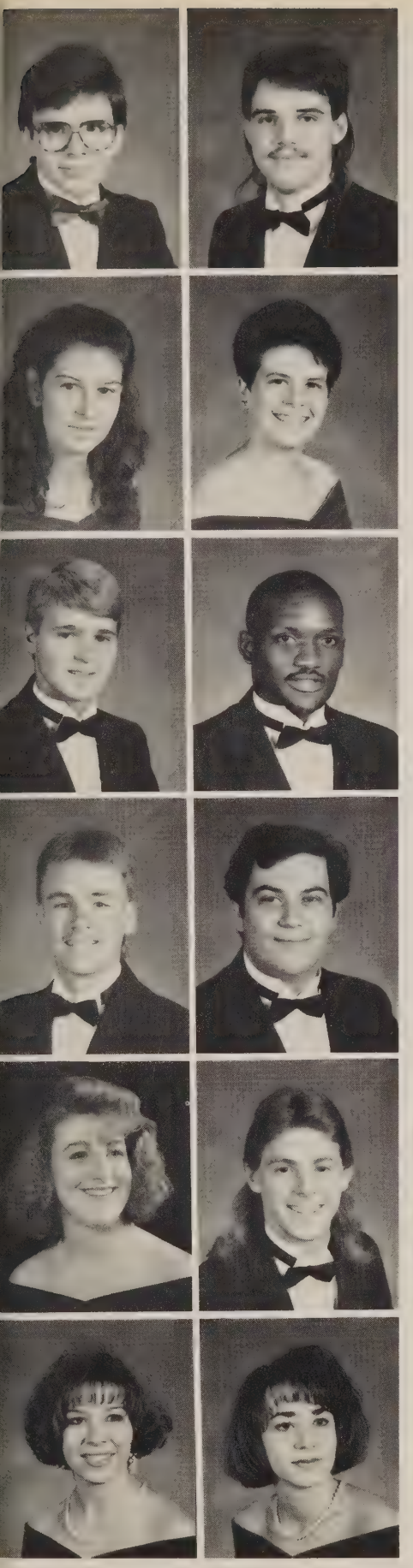
Christopher W. Martin
Rosalee Mary (Lee): Beta 3-4.
James Patrick McAvoy (Jimmy): Beta 3-4.
Constance Mary McKann (Connie): FBLA 1-4, FHA 2, Quill & Scroll 4, COE 4, Spanish Club 1.
Mickee Lynn McNutt (Mickee): Science Club 4, Chamber Ensemble 1-2 (Sec. 2), Marching Band 1-4.

Kyle Patrick Meador (Kyle): FBLA 4, Soccer 1-4 (Co-capt. 4, Honorable Mention All-District 4).
Michael Browning Meeks
Stacy Lynn Melton
Douglas Hunter Milby (Douglas): Marching BAnd 1-4, "Bye Bye Birdie."
Leonard Wilson Mitchell, III (Leonard): HERO 3-4, Football 1-4, Basketball 1-4, Track 1-4.

Anthony Barrett Moore
Morris Spencer Moore, III (Spencer): TSA 1-4, Key Club 4, HERO 4, Track 1, Student of the Week 3.
Mark Anthony Mozingo
Dean Wade Munro (Dean): Key Club 3-4, Beta 3-4, 9th Grade Basketball, JV Football 1, Tennis 1-4, Volleyball 2-4, Graduation Marshal 3, Homecoming Court 4.
Bryan Edward Myer (Bryan): Marching Band 4, Beta 3-4.

Shelly Latrice Nelson
Elizabeth Ann Newton
Mary Elizabeth Newton (Mary): French Club 1-2, Psycho-Art 3-4, Devilettes 3, Student of the Week 4, "Barefoot in the Park," "Bye Bye Birdie," Miss Varina Pageant 3, Band 2, Color Guard 3.
Elizabeth Ann Nicholas (Liz): Psycho-Art 3-4 (Sec. 4), FHA 1-2, HERO 4, SODA 3-4, Devilettes 2-3.
Brian Thomas Norton (Mike)

Denver Roydon Oakley (Denver): TSA 2-4, HERO 4, Football 3-4, Homecoming Court 4.
Thomasina Mechelle Oliver (Mechelle): FHA 1-2, VICA 3-4.
Shaun Randall O'Neal (Shaun): Beta 3-4, Key Club 1-4 (Sec. 4), FBLA VP 4, 9th Grade Basketball, JV Basketball 2, Volleyball 2-4 (MVP 3-4, All-County 3-4, 2nd team All-County 2, All-Academic 2-4, 1st team All-District 2-4) Baseball 3-4 (1st team All-Academic 3-4, 1st team LH Pitcher Capital District 4, 2nd team All Metro LH Pitcher, 2nd team All-Region LH Pitcher, Co-MVP 4, VHSL All-Star Game) VHS Male Athlete of the Year 4, Outstanding Business Ed. Student 3, National Young Leaders' Conference 3.
Tammy Lynn Otey (Tammy): VICA, FHA, Marching Band 1-4, Winter Guard 4, Rifles 1, Flags 2, Majorette 3-4.
Mika Ann Otto (Mika): Keyettes 3-4, SODA 2-4, NHS 3-4 (Pres. 4), Beta 3-4, HOBY Leadership Conference 2, Symphonic Band 1-4, Marching Band 1-4, (Drum Major 3-4, Sec./Treas. 3, Historian 4).



'92's Notables

Senior class selects Superlatives

After twelve, or more, years of school, many students have distinguished themselves in. But there are always a few individuals who are truly memorable or noteworthy, recognized by their peers for superlative achievement or notoriety as Senior Superlatives. The Class of 1992 selected the following:

Most Athletic
Leonard Mitchell
Heather Burrows
Class Clown
Steve Hawley
Paula Patterson
Everybody's Friend
Meg Benedetti
Kevin Hale
Best Dressed
Scott Allen
Lisa Toman
Best All Around
Doug Sweeney
Karrie Green
Most Likely to Succeed
Shawn Burgess
Sarah Zeigler
Most Unique
Keith Cable
Stacey King
Teacher's Pet
Rodney Harmon
Jenny Arrighi
Most Respected
Shawn Burgess
Janna Perry
Best Couple
James Barnes
Tracettia Robinson
Best Looking
Mike Ramey
Jenny Chenault
Best Personality
Steve Pearson
Meg Benedetti
Most Talented
Matt Burns
Cat Smith
Most School-Spirited
Doug Sweeney
Chantelle Elam
Biggest Flirt
Kevin Hale
Tammy Otey
Most Likely to Party
Arnie Eberly
Mindy Thomas

Stuffin' and drummin'. Keith Cable, voted Most Unique by the Senior Class, manages a mouthful of cotton candy while he plays drums at the Homecoming bonfire the Thursday night of Homecoming week.

Big Bucks

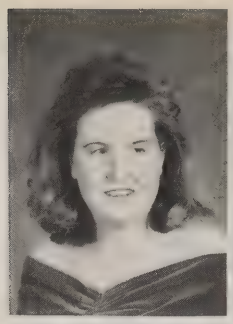
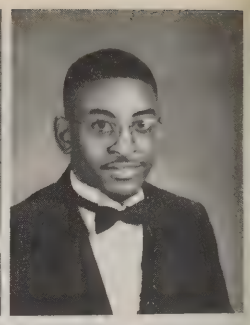
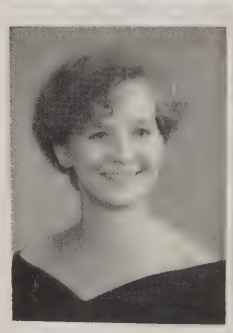
Scholarships net $374,626

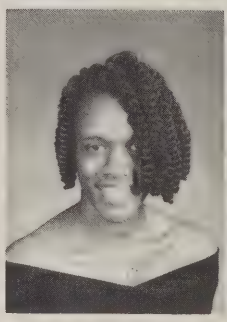
College costs, and it can cost big. But hard work and dedication can go a long way toward offsetting at least some of the cost when they result in a scholarship. Blue Devils cashed in on their achievement and earned such scholarships from organizations and institutions. They were announced at Class Day on May 28.

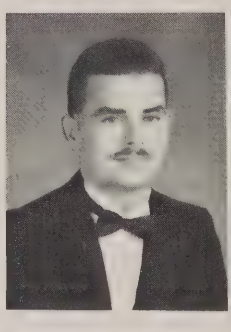
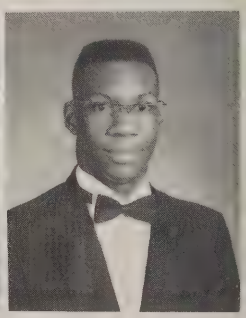
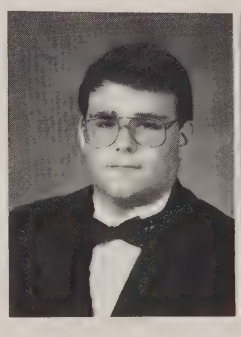
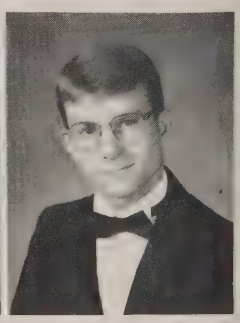
Varina Womens Club
Frank Bryant
Delta Kappa Gamma
Christy Allen
George H. Moody Scholarship
Nikki Williams
Angela Lunceford
Sandston Womens Club
Tammy Williams
Varina Mehfoud PTA
Melissa Gill
Heidi Powell
Exchange Club of East Henrico
Doug Sweeney
Sarah Zeigler
Karrie Green
Highland Springs Lioness
Ley Gaulding
Varina HS PTA
Kristin Comer
Byrd International Rotary
Rebecca Johns
Rodney Harmon
Phillip Morris
Tammy Williams
Doug Sweeney
Ruritan of Eastern Henrico
Charlotte Jinnette
Chartrice Thorne
Lions Club
Margie Harrison
Varina Jr. Womens Club
Wendy Baer
Varina Ruritan
Ryan Hardiman
Lori Moore Scholarship
Brooke Welsh
Edgar David Hill Scholarship
Georgia Buisset
Tondrowski-Wright Memorial
Christina Webb
Eastern Henrico Kiwanis
Chris White

St. James Baptist Church
Tamesha Bentley
De Shay Johnson
Corey Scott
Marcie Wheeler
Wanda Taylor
TET 68
Mika Otto
Seven Pines PTA
Shawn Burgess
Va. Conf. of the United Methodist Church
Janna Perry
Alpha Kappa Alpha
Candace Dungee
Lee-Jackson Foundation
Mika Otto
Windsor Club of Elko
Stacey King
Kappa Alpha Psi
Airren Dabney
Battlefield Park Lions
Sarah Zeigler
Varina VFW
Alex Battles
Citizens Scholarship Foundation
Janna Perry
Stone Container
Angela Lunceford
Byrd Scholar
Janna Perry
J. Sargeant Reynolds
Chris Hamilton
Tim Green
Dean's Scholarship — VCU
Mika Otto
Alex Battles
Provost Scholarship — VCU
Stacey King
University Achievement Award — U.Va.
Byron Stith
President's Scholarship — American U.
Janna Perry
Air Force Academy
Sloan Hollis

Scholarly supplies. Sarah Zeigler and Janna Perry collect their caps, gowns and announcements. Both were among VHS's scholarship winners.

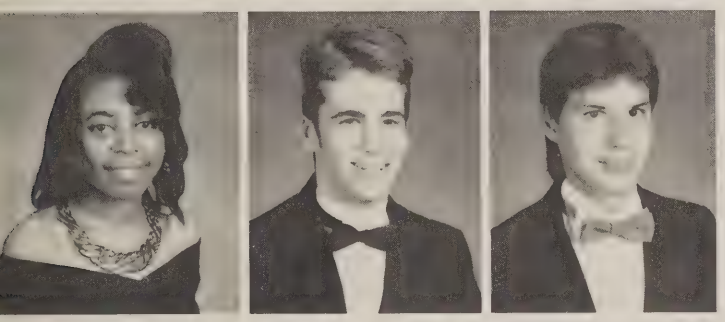






Jennifer Dawn Owens (Jenny): COE 3, DECA 4.
Larry Owens, Jr.
Matthew Brian Owens
Paula Nicole Patterson (Paula): FBLA, FHA, Psycho-Art.
Stephen Todd Pearson (Steve): 9th Grade Baseketball, JV Basketball 2, Basketball 3-4, JV Baseball 1, Baseball 2-4 (2nd team All-District 3-4), Volleyball 2-4 (MVP 1, 1st team All-District 3, 2nd team All-District 3).

Janna Beth Perry (Janna): Beta 4, NHS 4, Quill & Scroll 4, Keyettes 4, Byrd Scholar 4, Presidential Scholarship (American University) 4, Co-Valedictorian.
Kimberly D. Peterson
Penny K. Piott
Kelly Marie Pollard (Kelly): FBLA 1, DECA 3-4, Spanish Club 1
Heidi Rebecca Powell (Heidi): Varinian Historical Society Pres. 4, French Club 1-4 (VP 4), Peer Advisor 3, Battle of the Brains 3, Science Club 3, Float Committee 1-2, Beta 3-4 (Treas. 4), NHS 3-4, FBLA 4, Student Gov't. Day 4, Xerox Award 3, Superintendent's Scholar 4, world Affairs Conference 2, Youth Leadership Seminar 2.



Racquel Vernice Powell
Tracy Lee Propst (Tracy): *Paradox* 4.
Luchetia Denise Rainey (Luchetia): Science Club 1, Forensics 1, Psycho-Art 3-4, Chorus 1-4, color Guard 1, Honor Guard 1, Rifles 1, FBLA 1, FHA 4, Talent Show 1-4.
Michael Christopher Ramey (Mike): Beta 3-4, Key Club 4, Spanish Club 2, French Club 4, FHA 4, Homecoming Court 4.
Craig Armistead Redford

Kevin Dallas Reed (Kevin): Cross Country 3-4 (MVP 3-4), Indoor Track 2-4, Track 1-4,
Baye Ato Reel
Temetra Nicole Rice (Temetra): FBLA 3-4, Jr. Achievement 4, Beta 3-4, Pep Club 3, JV Girls' Basketball 1, Girls' Basketball 2 (manager 3), Talent Show 1-4.
Michelle Devonna Roane
Tracettia Wendshell Robinson (Tracettia): Concert Band 1, SODA 3, Red Cross 4, FBLA 2-4, COE 4, 3rd place FBLA Regionals.

Michael Aaron Rowe (Mike): JV Baseball 1-2, Baseball 3-4 (1st team All-District 3-4, Honorable Mention All-Region 3-4, All-Metro 4).
Bryan Keith Rude (Keith): Football 1-4.
Dalal M. Salem
Robert L. Salmon, III
Deborah Gayle Sampson

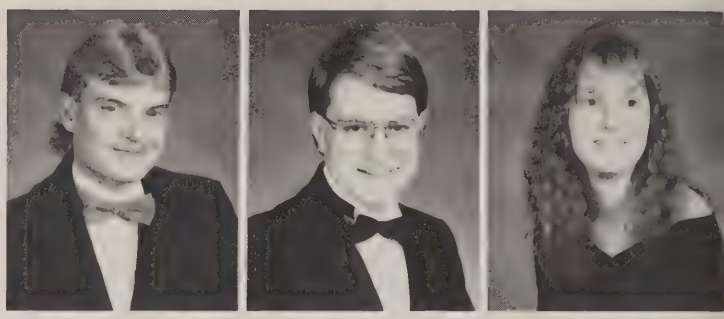
Tiffany R. Samuel
Tracey Lynn Sawyer (Tracey): Color Guard 1-4 (Co-capt. 4) Indoor Guard 2-3, Psycho-Art 3-4, FBLA 2, Beta 4, Outstanding Business Student 3, *Paradox* 3.
Lesley Michelle Schultz
James H. Seay
Jerrell Maurice Shearin

Anthony James Sheffield (Tony): Marching Band 1-4, Jazz Band 3-4, Symphonic Band 3-4, Cross Country 1-2, CLASSIC 3, Jazz Festival 3-4, State Marching Festival 1-4, District I Band Festival 3-4.
Lawson Maurice Shelton, III (Trey): Latin Club 1, Quill & Scroll 4, Peer Partner 4.
Christine Marie Shirley (Chris): French Club 1, Peer Advisory 3.
Shuntae Antonette Singletary
Cathryn Benton Smith (Cat): Beta 3-4, TEACH 4. Thespians 2-4, Psycho-Art 3-4, Governor's School nominee 3, CLASSIC 2-4, Patriotism Day Exhibit 2, Symphonic Band 1,3-4, Marching Band 1-4, Drum line co-capt. 4, "Pomp & Circumstances," "Little Shop of Horrors," "Steel Magnolias," Scholastic Art Award, Gold Key Award, Sovran Bank Youth Art Month Exhibitor 4, Hallmark Honor Prize Regional nominee 4.

Jacquelyn Che Smith (Che): Quill & Scroll 4, *Varina Connection* 4, Pep Club 1, Basketball 1,4 (Capt. 4), Track 1-2, Homecoming Queen 4, Prom Queen 4, Drum Major 4, Marching Band 2-4.
Kristy Marie Smith
Earl Grey Snelson (Gray)
Kimberly Yvonne Sparks (Kim): FHA 1, 3-4 (Pres. 4), HERO 3, FBLA 1, Spanish Club 4, Psycho-Art 4, Girls' Basketball 1-4, Convocation speaker.
Lori Kay Stanley

Byron Monte Stith, Jr. (Byron): French Club 2-4 (Pres. 4), NHS 4, Beta 3-4, Forensics 1-3, SODA 3-4, CLASSIC 2-4, Regional Orchestra 2-3, TEACH 4, Battle of the Brains 2-4, Outstanding French Student 3, All-County Orchestra 1-4, *Varina Connection* 3, Governor's School nominee.
Rosetta Danita Stokes (Rosey): FHA 1-4, HERO 1-4, *Varina Connection* 4, Pep Club 1-2, FBLA 2,4.
Shannon Lynn Sublette (Shannon): FBLA 4, COE 4.
Katina Marie Swearengin (Tina): DECA 3-4, FBLA 1.
Douglas Worthington Sweeney, Jr. (Doug): Spanish Club 1, Key Club 2-4 (Treas. 2-3), SCA Treasurer 3, SCA President 4, FBLA 2-4 (Treas. 4), SODA 2-4, NHS 3-4, Beta 3-4, Freshman Pres., Sophomore Pres., JV Baseball 2, Baseball 3-4, Volleyball 2-4, 9th Gr. Basketball, JV Basketball 2, Boys' State 3, Graduation Attendant 3, Homecoming Court 4, Leadership Conference 1-4, Student Exchange 2-4, Leadership Award 2-4, Chain Reaction 2, Japanese Club 2-4.

Colby Maurice Sydnor (Colby): Indoor Track 1-4, Track 1,2,4.
Sherri Lynn Tate
Robert Harold Terry
Brande Michelle Thomas (Brande): German Club 1, Beta 3-4, Science Club 3, Quill & Scroll 3-4, Red Cross VP 4, SODA 3, *Varinian* 3-4, *Paradox* 3-4 (Editor 4), William H. Danforth Leadership Award 3, VHSL Writing Contest.
Mindy Michaele Thomas (Mindy): Key Club 4, Spanish Club 3, HERO 4, Homecoming Court 4, Freshman Homecoming Princess.

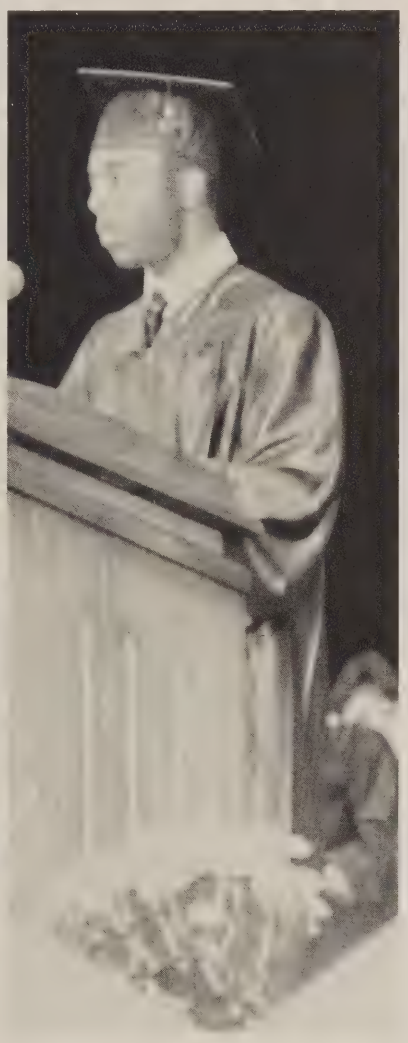


In Charge

Select seniors take over county posts for a day of governing

"When I'm in charge, things will be different." How many times did you think that when something didn't go exactly as you planned it? Well, twelve Varina seniors got to see just what it was like to be in charge for a day.

On April 9, 1992, these students took off for the county government center to participate in Henrico County's Student Government Day. They joined high school students from across the county in an exercise in county management.



A number of them didn't stray too far from education in their new roles. Brooke Welsh took over for Mr. Craig Thompson, the Varina school board member, and Janna Perry served as the Assistant Superintendent for Instruction. Heidi Powell headed up the Humanities Center as its coordinator, while Lee Mary was the day's Vocational Educational Specialist. Shelly Barnes did a stint as director of Pupil Transportation. Rebecca Johns carried a camera and did the duties of School Reporter.

Governmental positions occupied other participants. Chantelle Elam served as County Attorney, and Steve Hawley counted money as the county's Director of Finance.

Christy Allen was the Chief of the Division of Fire and served as one of the program's designated speakers. Meanwhile, Rodney Harmon wore two hats, one as Director of Public Works and another as County Engineer.

Nicky Goodwyn sat on the bench as a judge, Michael Carter occupied the position of Community Development Supervisor, and Jennifer Chenault headed up the General Services department as Administrative Supervisor.

A light note. Steve Hawley addresses the graduates and guests at graduation ceremonies at the Mosque. Steve quoted Kermit the Frog in his speech and expressed his hope that the graduating class could be "like a rainbow." Kermit, however, wouldn't have helped Steve on Student Government Day when he served as the county's Director of Finance.

Top of the Line

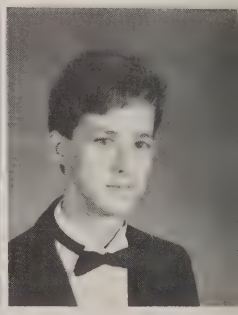
Ten members of the Class of '92 lead list of distinguished grads

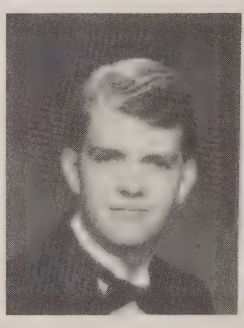
David Letterman played Top Ten lists late at night on television for laughs, but little could have been more serious than the list of ten announced in the morning in the gymnasium at Class Day.

Of the 219 graduates from the Class of 1992, ten had been selected as towering head and shoulders above the rest in scholarship, leadership and service to the school.

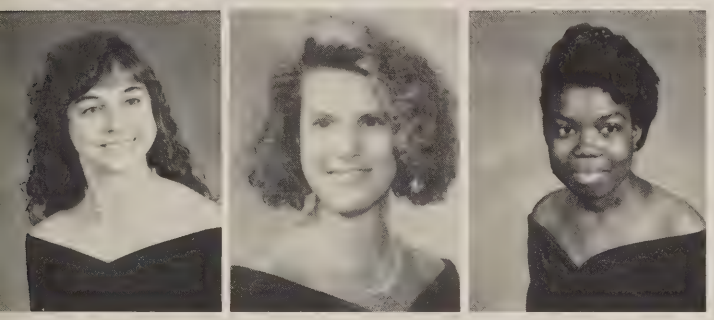
These were the Top Ten Seniors:

Christy Allen
Kelly Barden
Shawn Burgess
Chantelle Elam
Karrie Green
Ryan Hardiman
Janna Perry
Heidi Powell
Brooke Welsh
Sarah Zeigler





Badge of distinction. Wearing the medallion that marks her as one of the Top Ten Seniors, Chantelle Elam balances her cap and accepts congratulations from Mrs. Shirley Daniel during Class Day ceremonies.



Chrystal Ann Tignor
Sherri L. Tillis
Lisa Erin Toman (Lisa): DECA 2-3 (Sec. 3), JV Softball 2, softball 3, Color Guard 3-4, Homecoming Princess 4.
Jeffrey Aaron Tomlinson (Jeff): FBLA 2, Psycho-Art 4.
Travis W. Trimmer

Anne Elizabeth Turner (Anne): FBLA 4, FHA 3-4.
Robert McKenny Tyree (Mac): Marching Band 1-4, Symphonic Band 1-4, Jazz Band 2-4, All-County Band 2-4, Regional Band 4, All-County Orchestra 3, JV Soccer 1-2, Tennis 3, Girls' Tennis mgr. 3, Virginia Honor Band 1-3, "Guys and Dolls."
Brent Robert Uzel (Brent): VICA 3-4, 1st place VICA Prepared Speech Competition 4.
Nicole Yvette Walton (Nikki): Color Guard 2, SODA 4, FBLA 4, Peer Advisory 3, NHS 4, Beta 4, Battle of the Brains 4, French Club 1,2,4, CLASSIC 2-3, SCA Treasurer 4, Leadership Conferences 3-4.
Robert Lee Watson, III

Genise Lea Wattler
Jason Thomas Weatherford (Jason): Forensics 1,2,4, Soccer 1-2, Golf 2-3, Thespians 2-4 (VP 4), "Barefoot in the Park," "Pomp & Circumstances," "Seventeenth Summer," "Little Shop of Horrors," "Steel Magnolias," "Grease," "Guys and Dolls."
Christina Ruth Webb (Christina): SODA 2-3, Beta 3-4, NHS 3-4, Quill & Scroll 4, Young Authors Contest 4, CLASSIC 3.
Lesley Brooke Welsh (Brooke): Keyettes 2-4 (Pres. 4), Key Club 3-4, Beta 3-4, NHS 3-4, Thespians 3-4, SODA 2-4, French Club 3-4, Class Treasurer 1-2, Senior Class Secretary, DAR Citizenship Award 4, "Barefoot in the Park," "Bye Bye Birdie," "Pomp & Circumstances," "Seventeenth Summer," "Guys and Dolls," Prom Fashion Show 4.
Marcia LaVerne Wheeler

Christopher Ryan White (Chris): Key Club 2-4 (Pres. 4), German Club 2-4 (Pres. 3, Sec. 4), SODA 2-4, Science Club Pres. 4, Psycho-Art 4, Spanish Club 1, Quill & Scroll 4, *Varinian* 3-4, JV Baseball 1-2, Baseball 3-4, JV Football 1, 9th Grade Basketball, Citizenship Award 4, Student Exchange Day 3-4, Superintendent's Retreat 4.
Laura Stephanie Whitlow (Laura): Marching Band 1-4, Peer Advisory 3, Devilettes 2.
Susan Mae Wilkins (Susan): FBLA 4, VICA 3-4 (Reporter 4), Softball mgr. 3, Chamber Ensemble 1-2.
Tammy Denise Williams (Tammy): Psycho-Art 3-4, NHS 3-4, Beta 3-4, Key Club 3-4, SODA 3-4, FBLA 1, Jv Softball 1-2, Softball 3-4 (All-Academic District Team 3-4).
Charles Joseph Woodroffe, III (Skip): VICA 3-4 (VP 4).

Elizabeth Nicole Worley (Nikky)
Tamara Simone Yates (Tammy): Band 1-4, Color Guard 1-4, Indoor Guard 2-4 (Capt. 4), FHA 4, FBLA 4, Freshman Historian, Track 2, "Bye Bye Birdie."
Katrina Antoinette Young
Sarah Elizabeth Zeigler (Sarah): Keyettes 2-4, SODA 4, Psycho-Art 3-4, French Club 1, Beta 3-4, Softball 1-4 (All-District and All-Region 1-4), Tennis 3-4 (Capt. 4), Girls' State 3, Freedoms Foundation 3, Homecoming Princess 4, Youth of the Month 4, Head Graduation Marshal 3, Color Guard 1-4 (Capt. 4), Junior and Senior Class VP, Prom Fashion Show 4.

"We had to tip the bucket over to let the water out so she wouldn't drown."
Kim Eddy

Other Wet Wildness

There were plenty of buses to wash, but juniors also spent time doing the following:
- Spraying Mrs. Becky Scanlon, who responded, "Feels good!"
- Avoiding the old man in the plaid shorts who seemed to be trying to run them down.
- Taking over Hardee's when they were soaking wet and carrying their own coolers.
- Rewashing buses when they missed a spot.
- Running behind buses to finish scrubbing them when the man drove them away too soon.

Raising money by throwing water, dunking buddies and even washing a bunch of schoolbuses has juniors totally

Washed Out

Why would students come to school at seven a.m. in the middle of the summer? About 30 juniors and six adults turned out for $1207. They came to wash buses from 7:00 a.m. until noon, July 22 through August 2 to raise money for their class.

The students met at school in the morning and took a bus to the Henrico County Department of Transportation, where the buses spent their summer. Their goal was to wash 14 buses a day and at the end of two weeks clean 140 buses inside and out. Most of the buses hadn't been washed the whole year and were extremely dirty. Farrah Stone noted, "The inside was filthy, and there were footprints on the ceiling!"

Upon arriving, the volunteers went to work. They used large brushes to scrub the outside and tires, working as if they were on an assembly line scrubbing and rinsing each bus.

People cleaning the top dropped suds on those cleaning the bottom, leaving them soaked. For some it gave a bit of relief from the heat. Brad Whitlow simply stated, "It was very wet."

On the inside the cleaning crews swept the floor and wiped the seats and windows clean. All the doors and windows had to be closed, making the heat inside unbearable, especially when temperatures outside reached above the 90 degree mark.

Despite the dirt and heat, bus washing was not all hard work. Patricia Wiles and Jessica Oakley liked it enough to come back almost every day. Nakoma Sours however, might have had some second thoughts about returning after Kim Eddy dunked her headfirst into a trash can filled with soap and water. Nakoma had splashed Kim with water. "We had to tip the bucket over to let the water out so she wouldn't drown," said Kim.

Volunteers had water fights and one day had to fight with the hose to keep it from springing leaks. The supervisor, decked out in his plaid shorts and white knee socks, would repeatedly cut the hose at a leak and connect the pieces back together with a plastic coupler. After working for a couple of hours, the wet juniors headed for Hardee's for breakfast and a well-deserved rest.

When the suds finally washed away, with the help of teachers, parents and especially students, the junior class had topped off their treasury with enough money to pay for the rental fee at the Radisson for the prom, the Homecoming Dance and graduation.

Sarah Abell
Kristen Allgair
Brian Allred
Reis Alsberry
Rebecca Anders
Derick Atkins
Shannon Bailey
Chassidy Baldwin
Amanda Barnes

Mike Barnes
Shanda Barnes
Sunny Barnes
Jason Barret
Jenny Baughan
Darryl Beckstoffer
Emily Bedner
David Benfield
Christy Bennett

Tonya Bennett
Charneeta Best
Todd Bosher
Mack Brazelle
Kim Brewer
Bakir Brown
Eric Brown
Lloyd Brown
Matt Brownie

Scott Browning
Kimberly Bryant
Jason Butler
Calvin Callahan
Sheila Cannon
Jill Carter
Marilyn Carter
Marjorie Carter
Steve Carter

Heather Casey
Pete Cecil
Robert Chamberlain
Kendra Chandler
Jessica Chenault
Joey Childress
Betina Christian
Thornton Christian
Jarratt Clarke

Rolanda Cofield
Sarah Cole
Tremika Collier
Richard Collier
Shannon Comer
Niclole Conner
Wendi Conway
Kevin Cook
Melody Cutright

Melani Dalton
Preston Danner
Mike Davenport
Charlene Davis
Heather Davis
Henry Davis
Marlon Davis

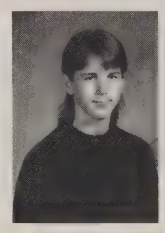
Nikki Davis
Tameka Davis
Latonya Derricott
Kristie Dickinson
Jarrett Dodson
Anthony Dolan
Aaron Dowdy

ake that! Margaret Fisher and Wendy Gardner splash each other while vashing buses for the junior fundraiser.

"I don't like being a twin because everyone gets us mixed up. I don't like being called Ross."
Reid McDaniel

They have the same dreams, same shirts and same cars. Twins have everybody, including themselves

Seeing Double



"There was a big boom and everything turned purple," said Jason Kelly. He had had a very strange dream, but a stranger thing happened when he talked to his brother Craig. The identical twins realized that they had experienced identical dreams. What many would call an eerie coincidence seemed quite normal for Varina twins.

Shannon Johnson said that she was very surprised when she got on the school bus and heard her twin sister Sharon, singing the same song that she had just been thinking of. Shanda Barnes often found herself finishing sentences for her brother Mike.

Shopping seemed to be a problem for Ross and Reid McDaniel. They went shopping separately, and when they got home, they realized that they had bought identical shirts. Nick and Nakoma Sours realized that they had similar tastes when they went car shopping at different times, and picked out the same car.

All identical twins said that they were annoyed when people came up to them and asked them if they were twins. Reid McDaniel said,"I don't like being a twin because everyone gets us mixed up, and I don't like being called Ross."

Kara and Tara Jackson felt that being twins was awful. Tara and Tonya Gary really enjoyed being identical twins. Tonya said,"we're always noticed when we go out."

Fraternal twins, on the other hand, had no trouble with people getting them mixed up. Brad and Travis Whitlow said that people found it hard to believe that they were twins. They often had to show disbelievers their driver's licenses to prove that they were, in fact, twins.

James and Lori Burwell felt that being twins was "wierd because of the way people react."

With twins, age difference between big brothers or big sisters is only a. . .

Matter of Minutes

Shanda Barnes
2 min. older than
Mike

Jay Burwell
6 min. older than
Lori

Tonya Gary
1 min. older than
Tara

Kara Jackson
3 min. older than
Tara

Shannon Johnson
3 min. older than
Sharon

Jason Kelly
6 min. older than
Craig

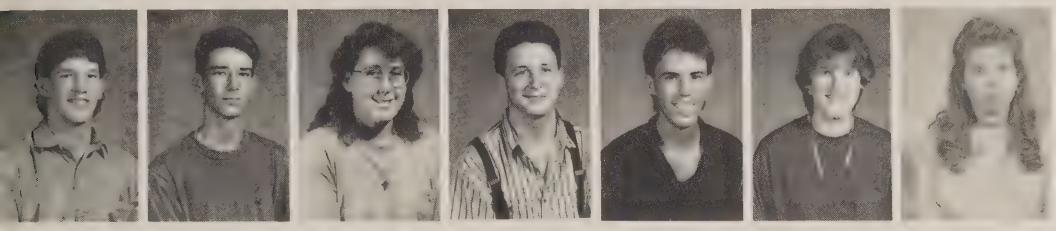
Ross McDaniel
8 min. older than
Reid

Nakoma Sours
1 min. older than
Nick

Brad Whitlow
8 min. older than
Travis

Christy Duke
William Dunn
Kimberly Eddy
Marc Edwards
Chris Eggleston
John Elrod
Philip Fincher
Margaret Fisher
Karen Fore

Elwood Friend
Jodi Galbraith
Wendy Gardner
Patricia Garner
Tracie Garwood
Tara Gary
Tonya Gary
Kia Gibson
Steve Gill



Jason Glass
Darchel Glover
Jamie Goad
Billy Green
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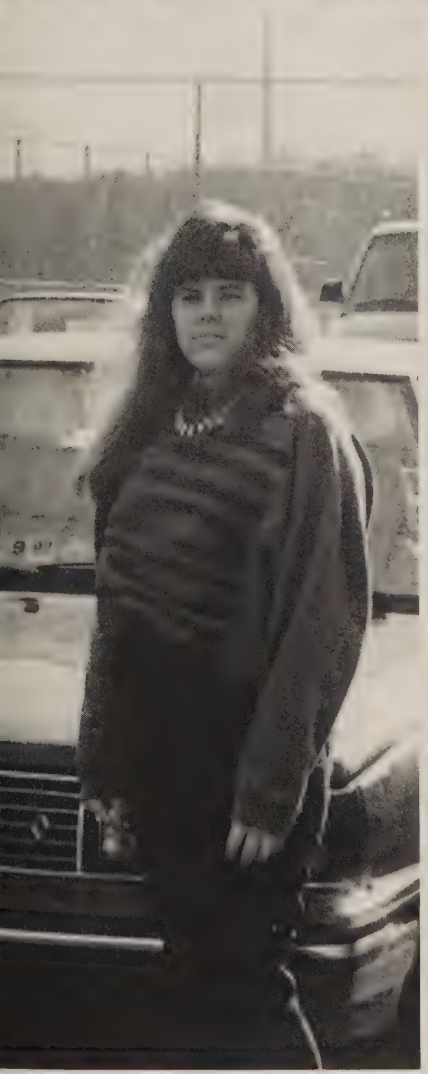
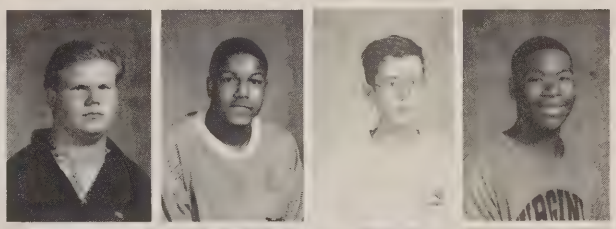
Thomas Grubbs
Will Grubbs
Mindy Guisinger
Mandy Hardy





Phil Harris
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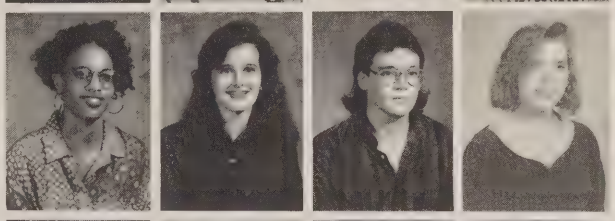

Tamika Hayden
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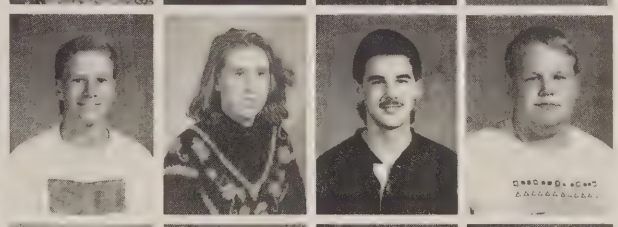


Scott Hicks
Allison Hines
Chris Hitchcock
Matt Hosey

Jessica Howard
Susan Jacobs
Angie Jenkins
Lisa Jenkins

Two of a kind. Tara and Tonya Gary flank the personalized plate on their red 1985 Encore Renault, which they alternated days driving to school. Their license, **C IN DBL**, was their fifth choice, but tags such as **DBL TRBL, TRBL X 2** and **SEE N DBL** had already been claimed.

"I'd rather bring my lunch than have to stand in line for a long time."
— *Beth Burton*

Lunch Rituals

●Phil Harris smothered everything with ranch dressing.

●Kristen Eberly dumped her potato chips all over her sandwich.

●John Conway brought his lunch, ate it and then went through the lunch line for more.

Hip second graders sport Snoopy lunchboxes, but with the refinement of high school, it's Garfield that we're

Packin' It In

Tiny Toons, Garfield and Superheroes — it looked like the cafeteria at Varina Elementary. Wrong! These lunchboxes packed PB&J for Blue Devils right here at Varina High. They were in again, and for good reason. Besides being cute, lunchboxes had practical uses.

Environmental concerns made lunchboxes a practicality. Rather than bringing brown bags and throwing them away, seniors Annie Downs and Shelly Barnes contributed to the environmental cause by using the same lunch containers every day. Shelly said, "I want to help save the earth. Bringing a lunchbox every day doesn't create a lot of trash." Annie loaded up her My Little Pony box, while Shelly had a collection of containers.

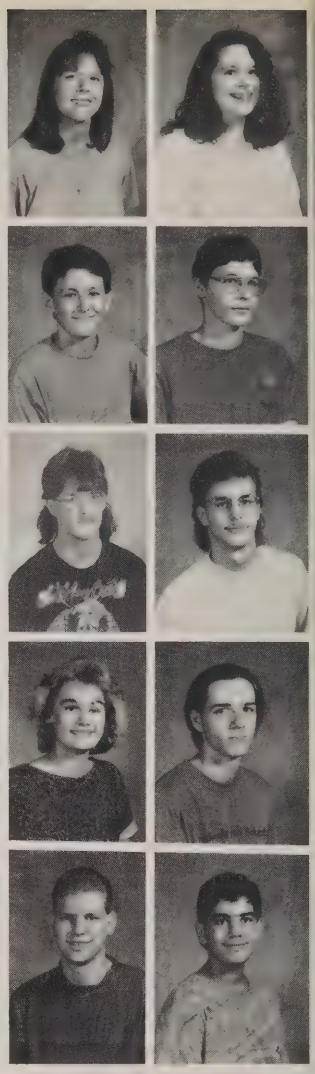
Besides being environmentalists, others were concerned with time. We all knew long lunch lines posed a problem when we only had 20 minutes to eat. "I'd rather bring my lunch than have to stand in line for a long time," Beth Burton, the proud owner of a Garfield box, stated.

Some did not like the same old cafeteria food every day which for most students consisted of pizza, french fries and a soda. Others just thought that lunchboxes were cool.

Lunchboxes reflected the personalities of those who carried them. While cartoons such as Garfield, Tiny Toons and My Little Pony were popular choices, some students dared to be different. Melissa Gill purchased her bag with a Happy Meal at McDonald's. This was not just any bag; it was a special glow-in-the-dark Halloween bag, which featured a ghost on the front.

Meg Benedetti's lunchbag was electric blue with neon green trim. It even had a compartment for ice and a keystrap that hooked on to her belt so it would never get lost or stolen. She had other odd uses for the keystrap. "If I'm too tired to carry my lunchbox I hook it to my belt and drag it up the hill," exclaimed Meg.

High school meant growing up, and growing up meant eating right. But nobody wanted to grow up too fast, so they kept a little bit of childhood alive with their lunchboxes.



In the bag. Shelly Barnes and Wendy Baer unload their lunches from McDonald's Halloween Happy Meal bags, a variation on the lunchbox.

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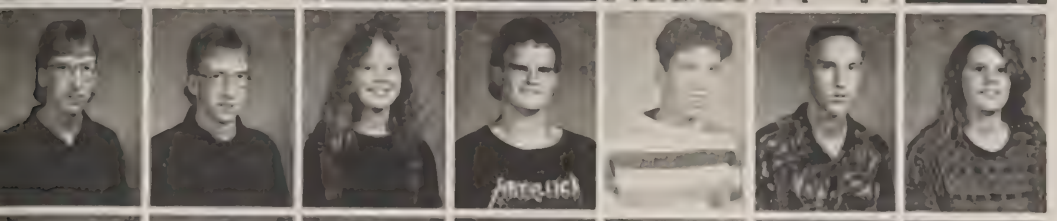

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Randall Lewis
Amy Loving
Aaron Mann
Jamie Marshall
Bonnie Martin
Nick Mason
Daniel Matthews

Heather McCardle
Rex McCoy
Angel Mc Elroy
Darrell Mc Lean
Brad Melton
Nishana Mercer
Tammy Miller
Tara Mills
John Minor

Scott Mistr
Mohammed Mohammed
Radley Mohammed
Lee Ann Morris
Robert Morris
Sheronda Mosley
Barrett Nelson
Artie Noel
Jeremy Norfleet

Brooke Northen
Lauren Null
Diane Oakley
Jessica Oakley
Robbie O' Dell

Pattie Orick
George Owen
Jason Page
Stephanie Parker
Toya Parker

Fonda Polhill
Kelly Potter
India Powell
Charity Pratt
James Priest

"Because they're comfortable and they make the outfit unique"
Lisa Toman

Plaid, prison stripes, plain or paisley prints matched with most anything make walking a fashionable exercise

In Legging Color

I spy something with black and white prison stripes, and it's not Elvis Presley doing the "Jailhouse Rock." It's junior Brooke Northen's legs. She, like many other Varina girls had an assortment of colored and patterned tights, better known as leggings.

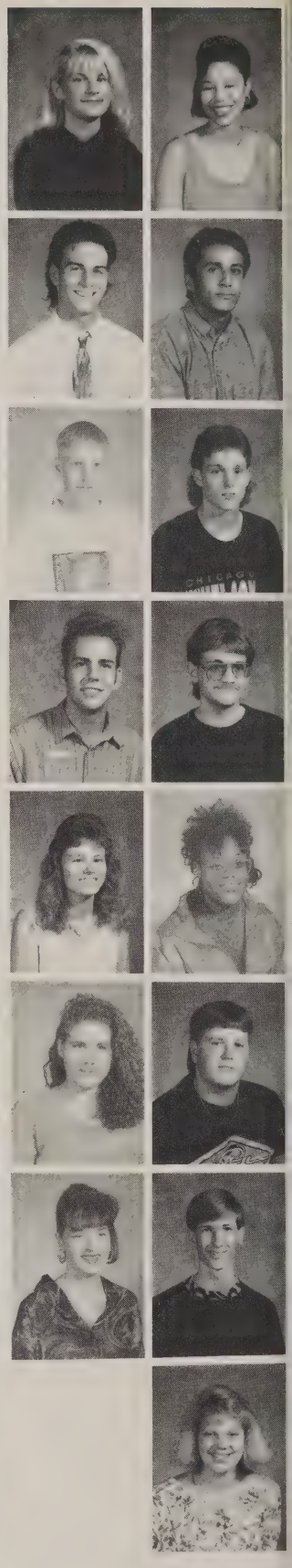
Leggings became addictive for some. No one could have just one pair, and senior Lisa Toman owned 11 pairs. Why so many? Lisa said, "Because they're comfortable and they make the outfit unique."

Leggings came in an array of patterns such as plaid, floral, paisley, striped, multi-colored and opaque.

Patterns could reflect personality. For the conservative, opaque leggings were the choice, while the more outgoing picked multi-colored patterns.

You could wear leggings with just about anything in your closet. Junior Sunny Barnes preferred to wear them with ribbed shirts while junior Jennifer Wells liked hers under an oversized sweater. Besides ribbed shirts and big sweaters, they were also worn under shorts, skirts, baby doll dresses and blazers. In other words leggings were just added accessories to compliment any outfit.

They've got legs! In black and white stripes, a fucshia solid, forest green ribbed hose and red, green, yellow and white plaids, Brooke Northen, Lisa Toman, Beth Burton and Tracey Sawyer show off their leggings in the library.



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Jason Salisbury
Kenneth Salisbury
Jimmy Saunders
Yolanda Savoy
Jeff Seal
Angie Sears
Wendy Shaw

Brad Shelton
Jason Shimp
John Shurm
Tommy Smith
Nakoma Sours
Farrah Stone
Tracy Stone
Kelly Story
Jay Strath

Rob Stuckey
Andy Sweeney
Wendy Swinson
Randolph Tate
Ron Taylor
Telly Taylor
Shawn Terry
Will Testerman
Lasonda Thierry

Tami Thomas
Darshell Thompson
Lori Tillis
Yori Tondrowski
Tamara Tucker
Tonya Underwood
Gary Valenti
Nathan Verlander
Tracy Vickery

Susan Vines
Scott Waddell
Coleen Wade
Sherian Walker
Wendy Walton
Mary Ward
Melissa Wash
Billy Wash
Keith Watson

Jennifer Wells
Bradley Whitlow
Travis Whitlow
Tricia Wiles
Angela Williams
Robin Williams
Teresa Williams
Tomas Williams
Froghead Wilson

Christina Wingfield
Melanie Worley
Rosalyn Wright
Tiffany Wright
Harold Wright
Nekishia Wyatt
Shari Younkers
Joe Zimmer

"I save all of mine instead of replacing them and buy a different pair each year."
Reis Alsberry

Cowboy boots, ballet flats, saddle oxfords, multi-colored tennis shoes make footwear a matter of more than mere

Sole Support

Saddle oxfords and cowboy boots. . .not a blast-from-the-past dress up day, but the fancy campus footwear. Shoes were a necessity, but some went to extremes by wearing anything imagineable. To the guys and girls shoes became a symbol of personality.

Many would have believed that senior Jenny Arrighi was the "sole supporter" of the popular Sam & Libby shoe company with her eleven different colors and styles of their shoes. Jenny's selection ranged from purple ballet shoes to gold flats with colored charms on them to a silver pair with sea horse charms.

Senior Beth Burton also charmed us with her shoes decorated with little gold ornaments. Jenny and Beth chose these shoes because they were different from what everyone else had.

Some opted for boots instead of flat shoes, and the styles were unlimited. Junior Jill Carter donned her genuine black cowboy boots regularly, claiming she chose them because they "caught my eye."

Junior India Powell's boots reached the height limit as they extended beyond her knee. This extra length is what caused India to buy them.

Shoes were equally important status symbols to males. Boots, a hot item for the guys, came a little bit lower extending only to the ankle. These brown leather boots, owned by many including junior Joey Robinson came from such stores as Thalhimers, Sea Dream Leather, and Eddie Bauer.

Junior Shawn Terry liked the 50's look with his buckskin saddle oxfords, while junior Reis Alsberry was a virtual rainbow of shoes, owning thirteen different colored pairs of tennis shoes. Reis had shoes from purple to green and turquoise to brown. He said, "I save all of mine instead of replacing them and buy a different kind each year."

Yes, shoes certainly went from being a necessity to an accessory, changing the old saying from "If the shoe fits, wear it" to "If the shoe *looks good*, wear it."

Footnotes

Footwear fads included the following:

- Sam & Libby's "ballet" shoes with bows
- Cowboy boots & cowboy boot shoes
- Penny loafers
- "Strappy" sandals
- Big, bulky high-top tennis shoes in a rainbow of colors
- Dirty bucks
- No socks

Sophomores: Adkins — Cooper

Michael Adkins
Stacey Adkins
Barry Adkins
Jenny Allanson
Keith Alvis
Lyndie Alvis
Julie Amos
Lisa Ancarrow
Lisa Anderson

Russ Anderson
Jane Angulo
Derrik Artis
Lawrence Arwood
C. J. Atkins
Sheena Banks
William Banks
Buddy Baskette
Jaime Bauer

Tracey Belvin
Jason Bennett
John Blankenship
Eric Bond
Chuck Bowery
Michael Bowery
John Bracey
Shannon Bragg
Jaime Brother

John Brown
Frankie Buisset
Lori Burwell
Charisse Cannon
LaTonya Cannon
Morris Capehart
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Andrea Charity
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Clarence Childress
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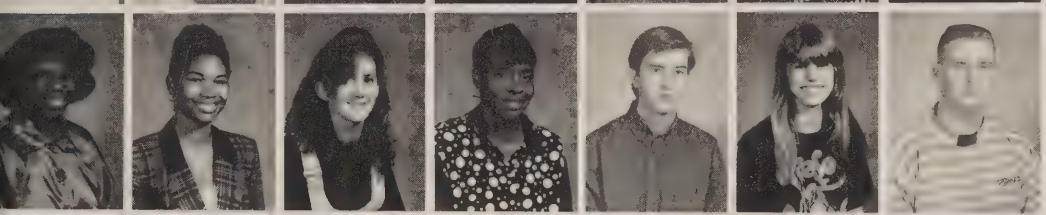

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Stevon Collier
Everett Comstock
Heather Conrad
Chris Constable

Tanisha Cooper
Kevin Cotman
Sharaza Cotman
Marsha Coward
Hope Craft
Lisa Crain
Kim Creasy

ashion "shoe-ins". Reis Alsberry, Jill Carter and Shawn Terry model ashionable footwear ranging from one f Reis's twelve pairs of sneakers to Jill's alf-high cowboy boots to Shawn's uede and leather saddle oxfords.

Dawn Dalton
Angie Davis
Jason Davis
Rod Davis
Gina Dean
Steven Diggs
Chuck Doane
Sherry Doyle
K.C. Duncan

Mandi Dunn
Giau Duong
Hanh Duong
Tammy Eberhard
Leticia Edmonds
Nancy Elfino
Jennifer Ellis
Wayne Ellyson
Dawnyelle Englehart

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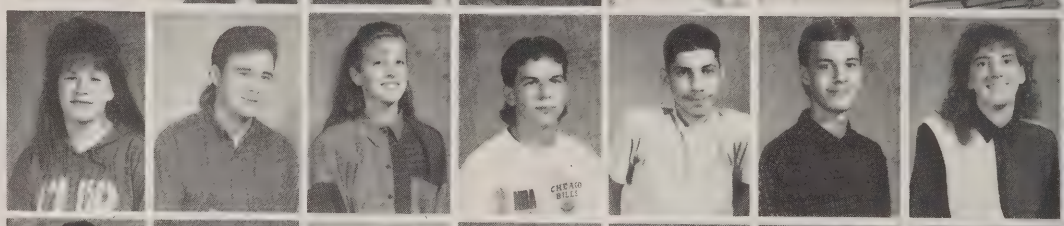

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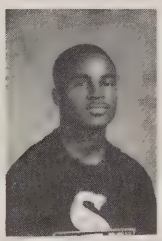
Cameron Grant
Doricka Greene

Mike Greene



Shawn Griffith

Janet Hall

Gordon Hallock

Last-minute finishers use T.A., cafeteria, even the bathtub to make up for

Procrastinating

"Tomorrow and tomorrow and tomorrow." Macbeth had it right, at least as far as most Varina students were concerned because tomorrow always seemed to be the perfect day to get something done.

Let's face it — everybody procrastinated, but some people broke new ground in putting things off.

Students in AP English 12 had two weeks to get inspired to write fourteen lines of iambic pentameter. However, waiting until the day before it was due proved to be the greatest inspiration of all for the sonnets. Shunda Giles waited until midnight to write hers after attending a performance of "Grand Hotel" at the Carpenter Center. She then woke up at 6:30 a.m. and had to rewrite it because, "What sounded good at 12:00 a.m. doesn't sound too good when I'm awake."

Time inspired some odd work places as well as work times. Sarah Zeigler, another last-minute poet, found the bathtub better than a writing desk. She said, "I couldn't think of any ideas, so the night before I sat in the bathtub and wrote my entire sonnet. I usually write most of my English assignments there because I can relax."

Outlining for Mr. Gary Stauffer's AP History class also provided plenty of opportunity for procrastination. Although he handed out a syllabus with due dates for assignments at the beginning of the year, everybody waited until it was almost too late to start outlining the 30-page, small-type, unillustrated chapters of the textbook. Junior Wendy Gardner started right after school on the day before and stayed up until 4:00 a.m. to finish, only getting two hours of sleep.

Yori Tondrowski waited until the day of the assignment and worked all through the day. He and Farrah Stone even bargained with German teacher Mrs. Amy Oetting for class time to finish theirs.

Several places around campus seemed to be homes for professional procrastinators. For example, scrambling students sat in the middle of the band hall before the door was opened to finish assignments.

The cafeteria also served as a last-minute study hall. Students would plop down their books, get somebody else to get them lunch and work through the 27-minute period, eating left-handed and risking ketchup and grease stains on papers.

And those students who couldn't finish their work in the library before first period found themselves praying for an extended T.A., assembly, film, video, guest speaker or even a fire drill to get in a few extra minutes on their work.

With the assignment finally turned in, the pressure was off, for at least a minute until you realized that you had something else to do for tomorrow. After all, tomorrow is another day.

Crunch time. During T.A. in Mrs. Pam Mann's room, Coleen Wade finishes up an AP history chapter outline due to Mr. Stauffer seventh period while Kevin Salas gets help from Tara Mills and Keisha Johnson on his American studies worksheet due third period right after T.A.

"The night before, I I sat in the bathtub and wrote my entire sonnet."
— Sarah Zeigler

Last Minute Study Spots

Before School

- In the library
- In the cafeteria
- In the car
- On the floor in the hall beside the band room

During School

- In T.A.
- On the sidewalk between classes
- Behind a "camouflage" book during the class immediately before the one in which the assignment is due

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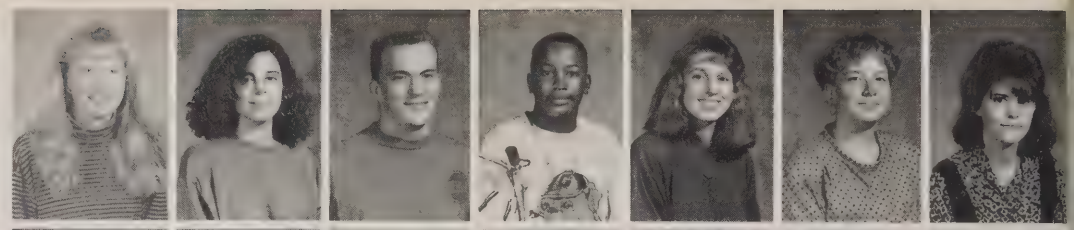
Alix Hammer
Robert Hammer
Anthony Hargrove
Carol Harmon
Cindy Hardy
Connie Hayes
Leslie Heath
Brett Herbst



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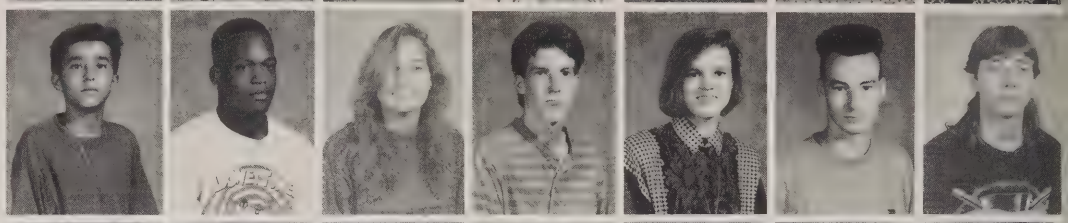

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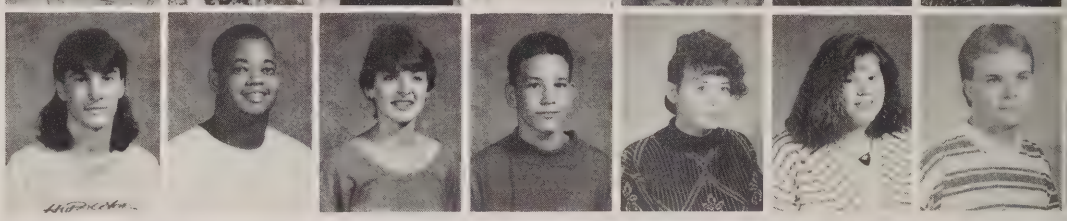

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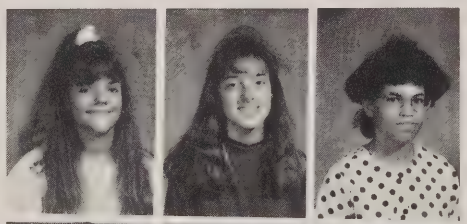


Courtney Lushbaugh
Mark Madison
Tracy Madison

Long haul. Weighted down with loaded bookbags, students crowd the sidewalk outside L-Hall for the walk down the hill between classes. Pedestrians jammed the 1.25 miles of sidewalk on campus eight times a day.

Shared lockers, stuffed bookbags help Varina pedestrians cope with the

Long Walk

Walk on — and on and on and on and on. If Bruce Hornsby had been writing his song at Varina, the chorus might have gone on forever. With the labyrinth of sidewalks that criss-crossed the campus, a student could walk longer than the Energizer bunny that never wore down.

And while students didn't come with long-lasting batteries, they did find other ways to cope with the sometimes exhausting walks between "spaced-out" classes.

Strategically located lockers, often shared by multiple students, could help cut down on legwork. Heidi Johns, Farrah Stone and Angie Sears kept one locker in D-10 where they stashed their English books. Heidi also had a locker in A-Hall with Angie and Brooke Northen. Practice tennis shoes, extra clothes and books not to be taken home after school had a home here. And Billy Wash's L-2 locker served as a lunch storage location for the group.

The search for a spare locker usually began about two weeks into the school year. Students scouted out empty lockers in each of their classrooms and claimed squatter's rights for these way stations.

If you didn't want to keep track of about a half a dozen different lockers, you could carry everything you needed on your back as Brad Melton did. He kept all of his books in his backpack and lugged it around. He said, "I carried everything in my bookbag in case I forgot something."

This caused minor difficulty when the thing broke. But Brad took string and bound it to hold it together.

While locker sharing and book bag stuffing could eliminate some difficulties of the long walks, other minor unpleasantries seemed unavoidable. The huge puddles outside L-Hall and A-Hall posed problems for everybody in the rain. And those who parked on Library Lane and the tennis court lot had to "swim" across the track.

And students alone didn't suffer from the walks in the rain. After any downpour, you couldn't miss the thousands of worms that found their way to the sidewalks to avoid drowning. They made for a little obstacle course for commuting students. They were something that nobody wanted to walk on.

"I carried everything in my bookbag in case I forgot something."
— Brad Melton

Endless Walks

We paced off the 1.25 miles of VHS sidewalks and came up with the following distances between points on campus:

Gymnasium to J-Building
273 paces

J-Building to Drivers Ed.
363 paces

Drivers Ed. to M-Building
458 paces

M-Building to Auditorium
266 paces

Auditorium to H-Building
219 paces

H-Building to Office
282 paces

"Varina has lots of Camaros and big trucks."
Jessica Chenault's guest from Freeman

'Aliens' from all around Henrico descend on campus in county-sponsored student

Invasion

Aliens invaded Varina High School on Thursday, March 12. Although they weren't green and antenneaed, they definitely were different.

Students came from all over Henrico County to take part in the Student Exchange Day, and 36 Varina students hosted students from other schools.

Rebecca Johns, a senior, was supposed to have guided a guy named Roscoe from Henrico, but he didn't show up and she hosted a Henrico student who had gone to Rolfe. The girl had a lot of friends here so it made it easier for her to feel at home.

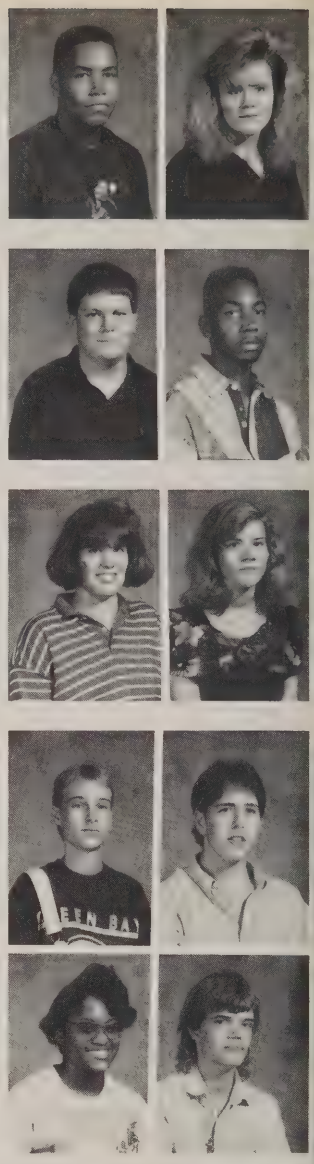
Jessica Chenault had a few problems when her exchange student from Freeman tried to enter the lunch line several times before being called into the line by the teacher. Jessica's exchange noticed that "Varina has a lot of a Camaros and big trucks" then she made sure to note that her best friend had just gotten a BMW.

Exchange students all agreed that Varina students and classes were really "laid back."

Varina also sent 36 "aliens" to other schools. Reis Alsberry went to Hermitage and had to sit in the middle of the cafeteria with Chris Eggleston at a table by themselves. He said that "people would hold their hands infront of their faces and peek out to look at us. It was really embarrassing."

Nicole Conner, Laurence Arwood, Cristal Russell, and Neisha Williams went to Freeman and found out that to park the car they had to fill out an application for a parking sticker. Then they had to park way out in the drivers ed. parking lot.

Kellie Smith went to Tucker and realized that she "missed Varina." Participants agreed that the day was very sucessful and that they would do it again next year.



Getting organized. Guests and hosts for Henrico County's Student Exchange Day gather around Doug Sweeney in the library to get their assignments and socialize.

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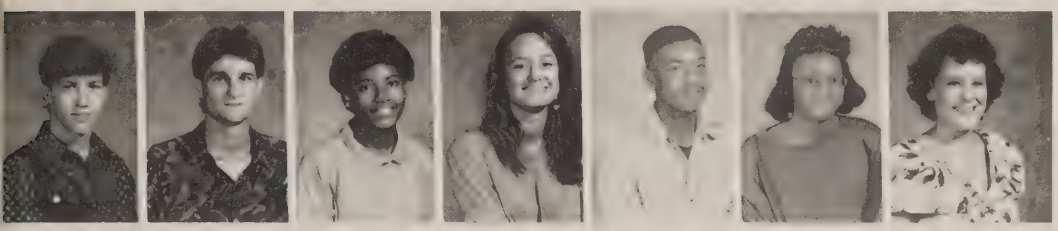

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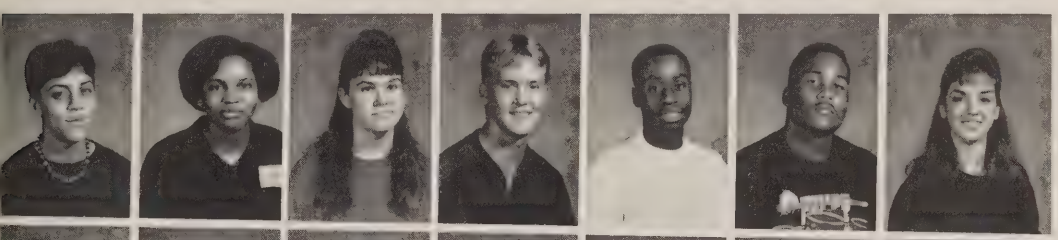

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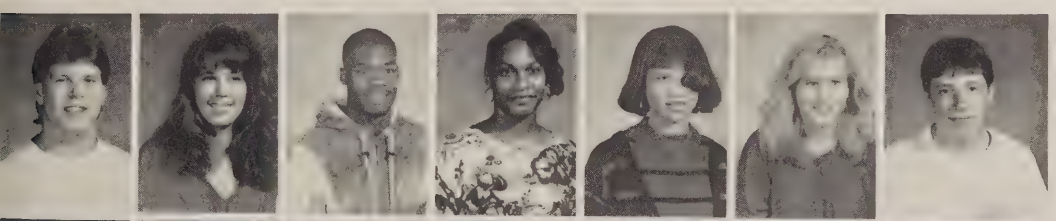

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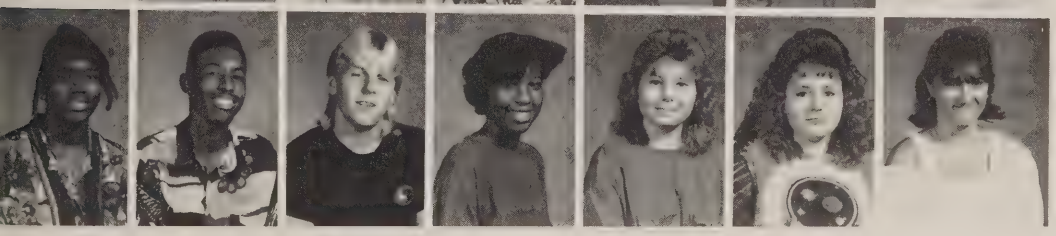


Aiesia Sampson
Dwayne Sanders
Brad Sanderson
Stephanie Sargent
Denise Seal
Sandra Sheets
Amy Skarzynski

"It's fun, and if we sit in the classes, we learn stuff."
— Lauren Null

Selling drinks, taking vital signs, camping in at museums and being 'buddies' gives students a chance to

Get Involved

Since most of us were using high school to get ready for college, we kept our grades up and made sure we had plenty of extra-curricular activities. Some students went the extra mile and got involved in service activities and volunteer work, which were going to look good on college transcripts. But VHS students weren't in it for college merit but just to help people.

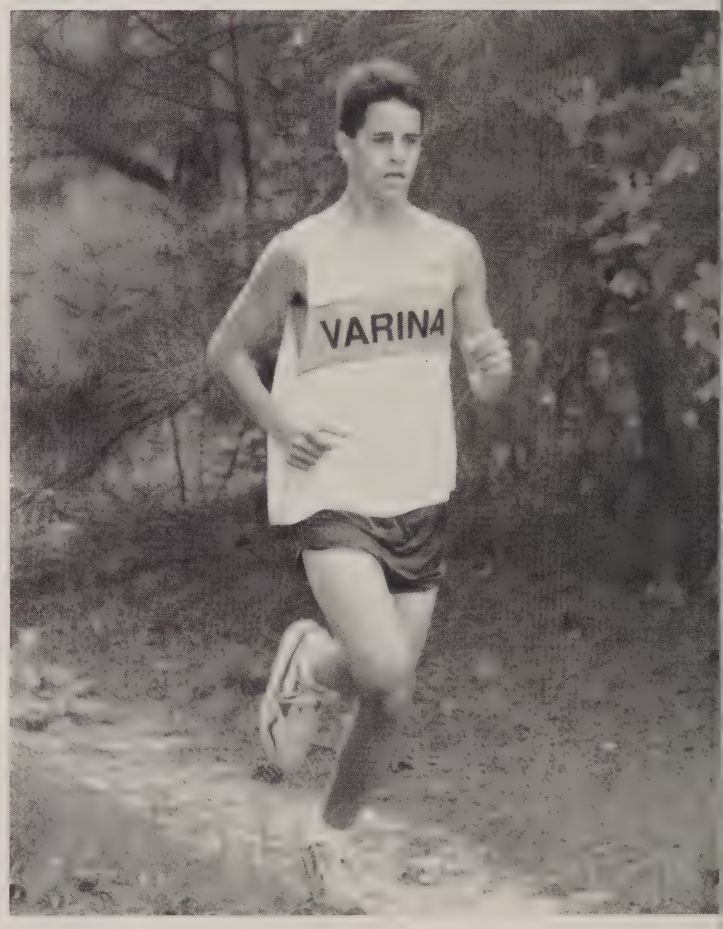
One organization that relied on student volunteers was the Fairfield Civitan Club. Seniors Brande Thomas and Benji Ashworth were both volunteers for the Special Olympics and the Nascar races at the Richmond International Raceway, where they ran the concession stand to raise money for the charity. Brande said, "It's fun, it looks good for college, and I like to help people."

At the Special Olympics each of the volunteers was assigned an athlete or "buddy." Brande's favorite part of volunteering was when Micheal, her buddy, won first place in his race.

Racing to the scene was usual when junior Kim Eddy was volunteering for the Henrico branch of the rescue squad. Kim worked as a dispatcher, she went on calls. and took vital signs. She generally worked 10 hours per week unless she worked on the weekend. Kim, who was preparing for a career as a nurse, said she volunteered because she liked to help people.

Junior Lauren Null helped out at the Science Museum Camp-ins, an overnight field trip for elementary and middle school children. As aide to the teachers and supervisors at the museum, she guided the children to classes, helped with the kids' snacks and ushered the movies in the theatre. Lauren said she enjoyed volunteering because "It's fun, and if we sit in with the classes, we learn stuff. Plus it gives you a chance to meet new people."

Whether VHS students were taking vital signs or ushering movies, volunteering was more than just an extra-curricular activity, it was fun.



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Todd Withrow
Jill Woodroffe

Lori Woolard
Candace Worley
Chasity Wright
Jason Wright
Tomeka Wright
Johnny Yates
Ellen Yeaman

Bryan Young
Tammy Zimmer

On the trail. Cross Country runner Sloan Hollis, who volunteered for the Civil Air Patrol, runs at Dorey Park.

Muhammad Abdul-Majid
Nura-Hasna Abdul-Majid
Paul Acors
Pam Adams
Brian Aigner
Brandi Allen
Kelly Allen
Reshonda Alston
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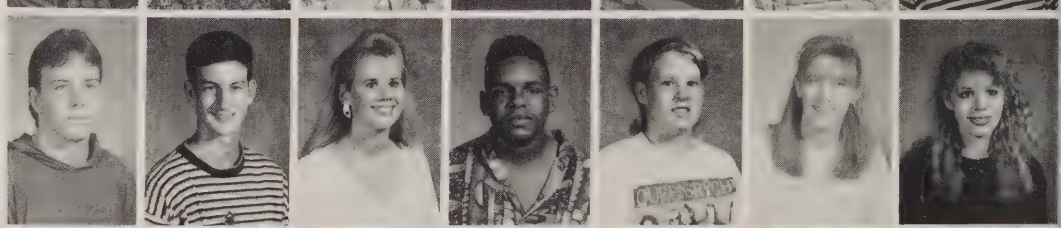

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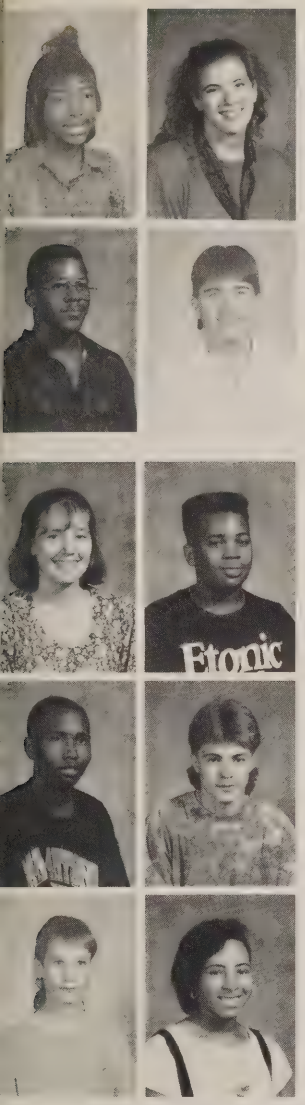


A little freedom, a lot of new expenses, and some contact with nature provide experiences for

New Kids on the Block

"It's pretty cool, and it's totally close to nature."
— Melissa Poling

It takes time to adjust to a new place with new people and new surroundings, even if it is right across the street. Freshmen found this out. Coming to a campus-style school brought a little freedom, some contact with nature and some higher expenses.

Freshman found Varina somewhat different from John Rolfe. Coming from a school that was indoors with no windows to a school that had windows in every classroom that you could see out of made a big difference to the 450 new freshmen. "You don't feel like you're in solitary confinment here," said Jennifer Carson. Melissa Poling said, "It's pretty cool and it's totally close to nature". Christy McCardle said the only downside was "like when it rains the wind is usually blowing the rain and I get totally soaked and the shelters over the sidewalk leak big time; but other than that Varina is pretty cool".

Freshmen found expenses were higher. Amy Lawson said, "It's more expensive but it's worth it. The stuff over here, including lunch, is of better quality." "There's no rotten peaches and no curdled milk," said Sarah Stanton.

Freshman, despite being the new kids, found a place at Varina. "It was hard to adjust at first because there were so many people, but I got used to it pretty quick," said Jennifer Bond. Karen Turner said, "It was a great experience." And it was.

Great outdoors. Students crowd around the door to J-13, waiting for the room to be opened. Getting used to the open-air campus was one big adjustment new ninth graders had to make after three years inside at John Rolfe.

Freshmen: Abdul-Majid — Cheney

"I'll pay as much as it costs if I really like it."
— *Tara Mills*

Jewelry dangled from ears, wrapped around wrists, graced fingers, and even found its own new place

On the Nose

There's a saying that goes, "Diamonds are a girls best friend." Not true. There are diamonds, but there are also rubies, emaralds, sapphires, opals, gold, silver, bronze, copper, and the list goes on. Actually, any jewelry seemed to be a Varina girl's best friend.

Earrings, one of the most popular pieces of jewelry bought, could be found antwhere, in any size, in any color, and at any price. Starting at three for a dollar and going up from there, there was no limit to how much poeple would pay for what they liked. Tara Mills said "I'll pay as much as it costs if I really like it".

One of the latest styles, aside from the bracelets, necklaces and earrings, was the nose ring. Ana Douangdara, who pierced her own nose herself, said, "I did it to just be unique".

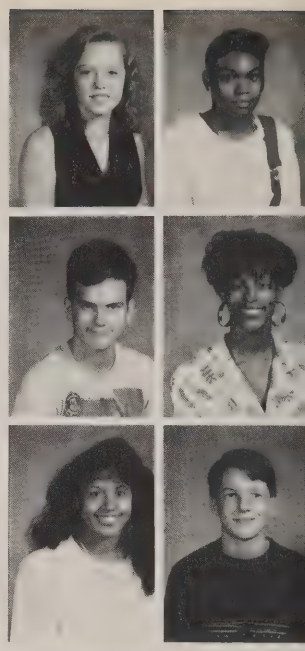
A few people said that they used an earring whose mate had been lost as a nasal decorator. Others went out and bought one earring that was sold to the guys for their ear.

Big gold and silver jewelry made a big hit. Oversized earrings with large exotic red, green, purple, yellow, and blue stones set in gold hung from many ears. Matching bracelets were also popular.

Some of the most expensive pieces of jewelry were the rings, initial rings being among the most popular. These were considered I.D. symbols for the wearer.

From koosh ball earrings to heart-shaped noserings, jewelry made a statement and conveyed a person's personality.

Final touch. Harriet Futrell adjusts the collar on her gown just before graduation ceremonies at the Mosque. Harriet, like many a number of other students, pierced her nose and wore a small gold stud in it.



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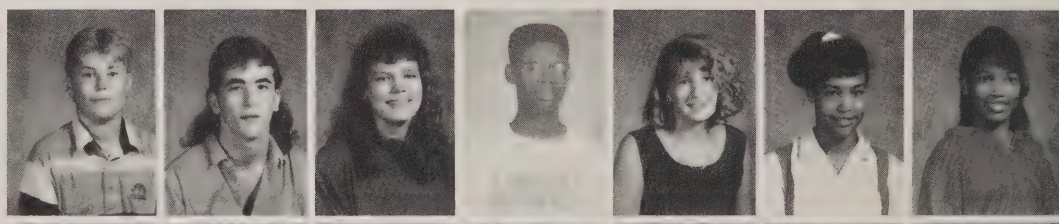

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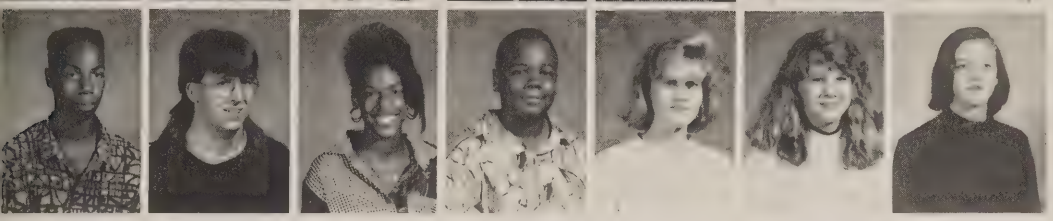

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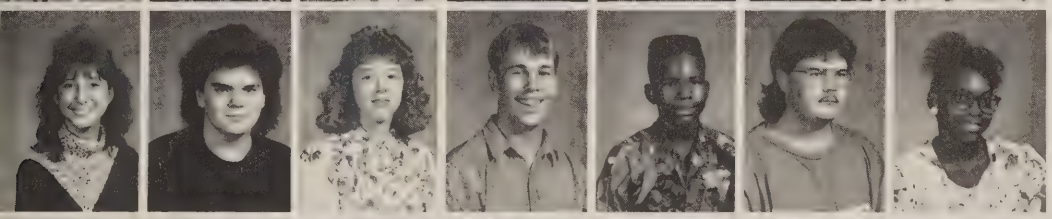

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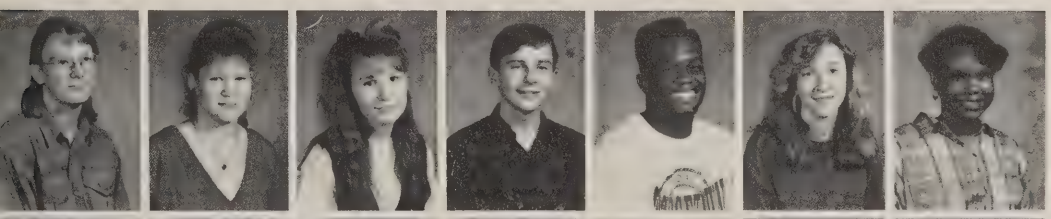

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B. J. Grasberger
Jonathan Gray
Jenifer Green
Stephen Green
Howardetter Gregory

"Please remove your hat."
Any Teacher

Cap-wearing kids have teachers hollering to

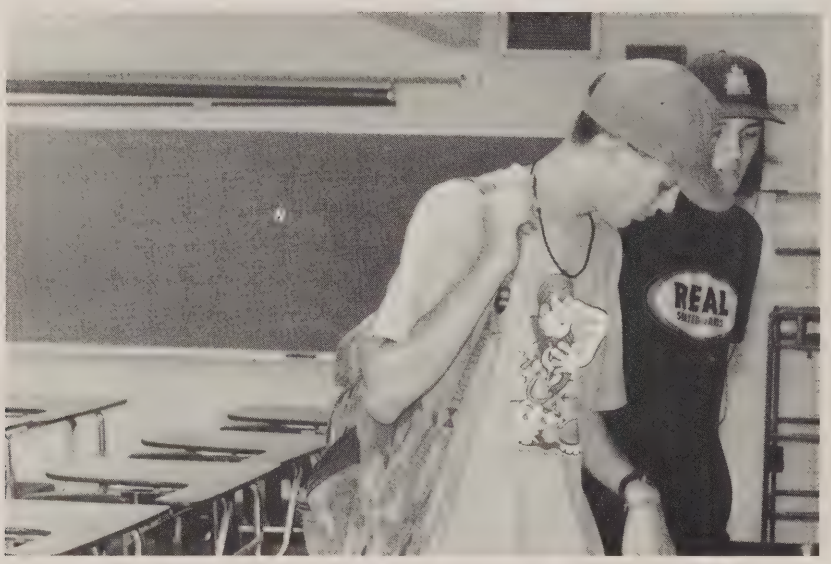
Take It Off

Whether it was Richard Kraus's backwards baseball cap or Keith Cable's striped whatchamacallit, hats seemed to be an integral part of any student's wardrobe.

Skaters had their wool baseball-style caps, athletes had their hats — just about anybody who was anybody sported something on his head. And this penchant for headgear nearly drove teachers to distraction.

Hats, of course, were *verboten* in classrooms, the office, the library — anywhere indoors on campus. And who could remember to take them off? They were almost fixtures.

It seemed that nearly every class period began with the teacher calling on at least one student and asking him, "Please remove your hat." In fact, Mr. Vince Bland, who had lunch duty in L-1 cafeteria, claimed that he could have used a taped message so he could just play it over and over each day.



Temporarily legal. Caps on heads, Rex Mc Coy and Marc Edwards visit their locker. As soon as the bell rang, their caps would come off.

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Tarvell Jones
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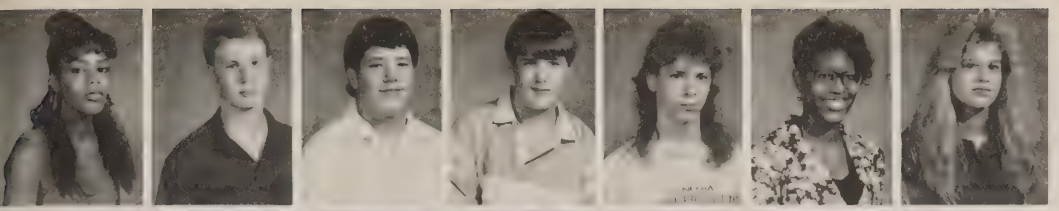

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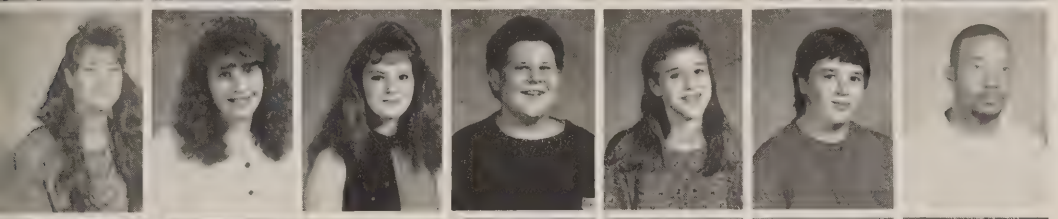

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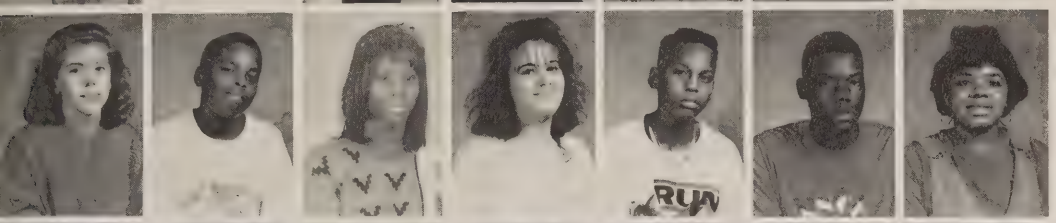

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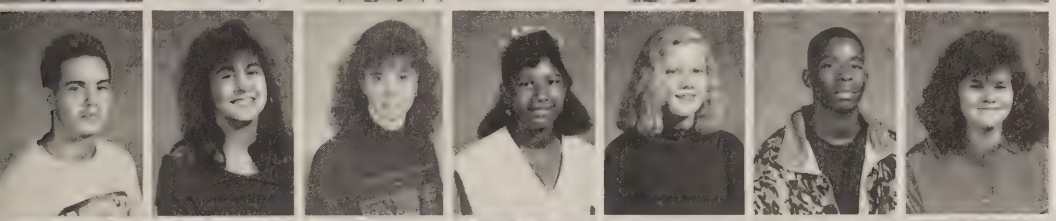

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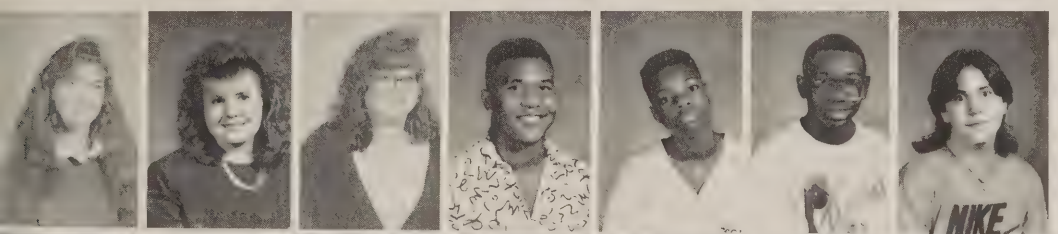

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Brad Lutz
John Madison
Michael Madison

"We were robbed."
Seniors

"We were robbed."
Juniors

Whipped cream, toilet paper and apples fly in fund-raising 'athletic' extravaganza, but Clash of the Classes competition ends in

Controversy

Imagine sticking your face in a cream pie to find an Oreo inside, waddling with a basketball between your knees or getting to wrap your teacher in miles of toilet paper. Well, competitiors in the Clash of the Classes didn't need imagination — they did all this, and more.

During seventh period on November 27, sixteen-person teams from each of the four classes met in the gym to have some fun, raise money for the prom and find out which class was the most skilled at rather bizarre exercises. They accomplished the first two, but the last was left doubt. The affair ended in a tie between the juniors and seniors. Not even a tie-breaking event could settle it.

Contestants started with the Over-and Under Relay, where six people lined up and passed a basketball over and under to the back of the line. Then the last person ran to the front, and the process continued until all were in their original positions.

Apple on a Spoon followed with competitors balancing an apple on a spoon while they ran down the gym floor and back and handed it off to the next teammate. Dropping the apple meant disqualification.

Students then hop-waddled down the floor with a basketball clutched between their knees. Then a three-legged race followed, and this had to be restarted when the bonds between teammates kept breaking.

Then there was the Back-to-Back Relay with a male and female player standing as the name suggested and linking their arms so that one had to run forward and one backward. Basketball skills were demanded in the Basketball Dribbling Relay.

The juniors trailed at this point, but they made a big comeback in the final two events. In the Presidential Race, class presidents tried to dig an Oreo out of a cream pie, using only their mouths. Senior Karrie Green got the Oreo first but didn't realize she had to run back, and junior Reis Alsberry won.

Reis and Bakir Brown then brought the juniors into a tie by rolling Mrs. Brenda Witherspoon with toilet paper before any other classes finished mummifying their sponsors.

A tie-breaking Apple on a Spoon event followed, but everybody dropped the apples and got disqualified, so the competition ended in a tie. All you could hear was both juniors and seniors yelling, "We were robbed."

Carried away. Sarah Zeigler rides her partner's back to the finish line as Mr. Aaron Cartte judges in the Clash of the Classes. Actually, contestants were not supposed to be carried.

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Susan Mallory
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Jennifer Maxey

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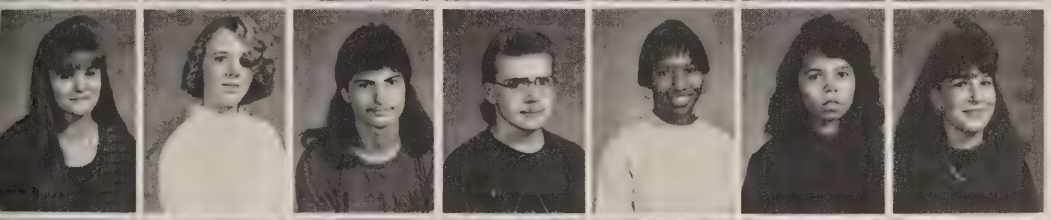

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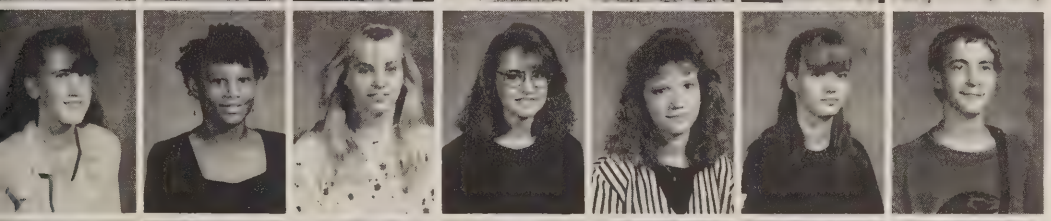

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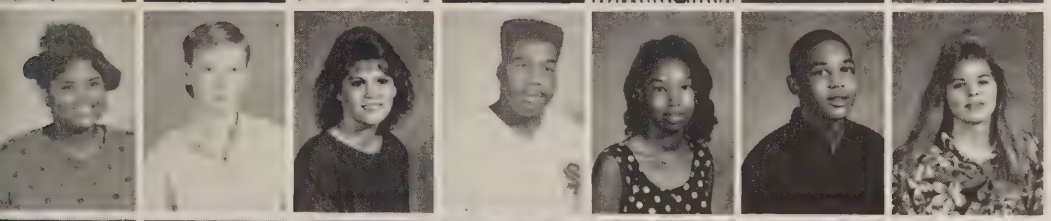

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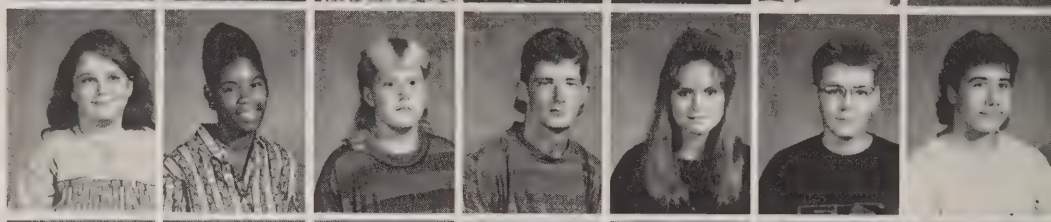

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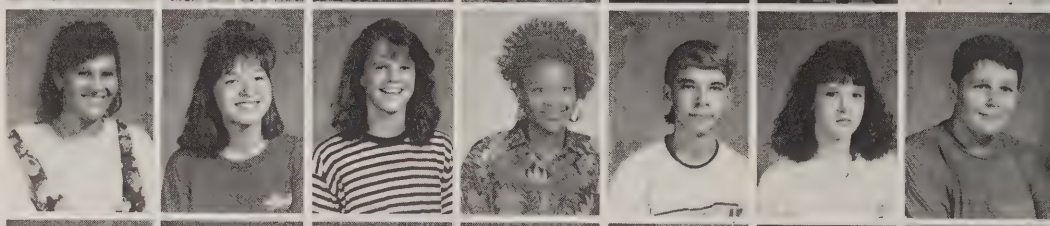

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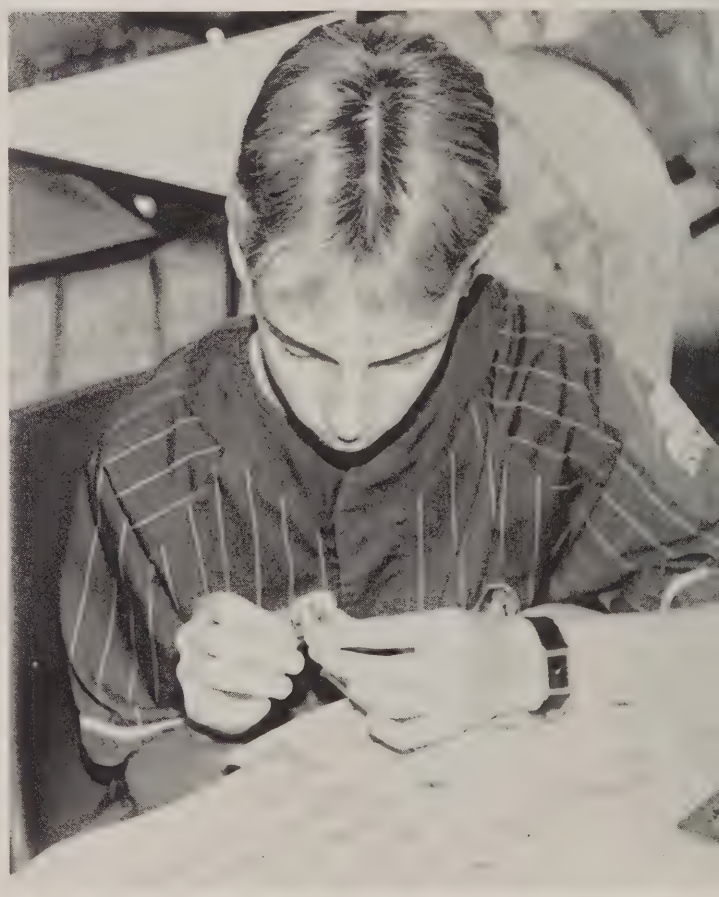

Ringing in the year. Sophomore Jason Owens looks over the selection of class rings from Herff Jones in L-1 careteria before the September PTA Back-to-School Night.

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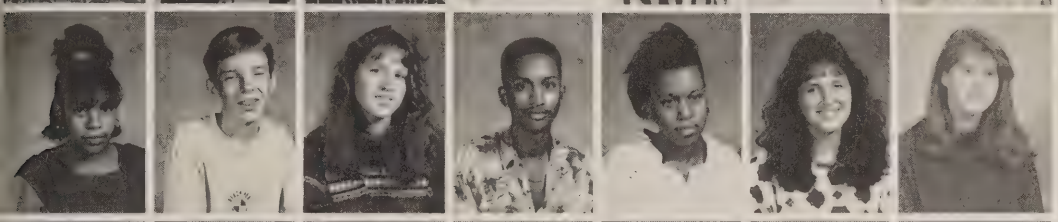

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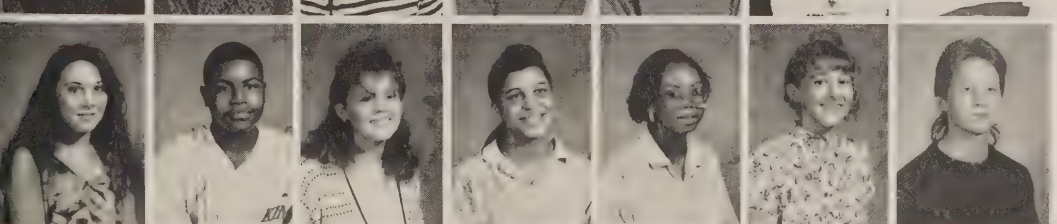

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Sara Wright
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Assistant Principal

Mr. Billy R. Ricks
Assistant Principal

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Mr. William B. Bailey: TV Operator — Electronic Classroom
Mr. Dex Basnight: Art
Mrs. Joan S. Bell: Secretary
Mr. Stuart A. Bernstein: Biology, JV Baseball, Girls' Volleyball

Mr. Kevin J. Birmingham: Spanish, Cross Country, Indoor Track, Track
Ms. Victoria J. Bivens: Guidance, NHS
Mr. L. Vincent Bland: English
Mr. Joey Boehling: English, *Varinian*

Mr. Thomas G. Booher: Guidance
Mr. Jeffrey R. Bidewell: TV Operator — Electronic Classroom
Mrs. Pamela D. Brown: Biology, CLASSIC
Mrs. Judith S. Browning: Secretary

Mr. Edward J. Bulheller: APBM, Football
Mr. James C. Burgess: LD Specialist
Mr. Barry M. Burton: Health & PE, Driver Ed., Football
Mrs. Elizabeth A. Caldwell: Algebra

Mr. C. Aaron Cartte: General Math, Algebra, Golf
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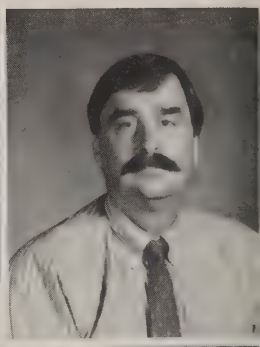

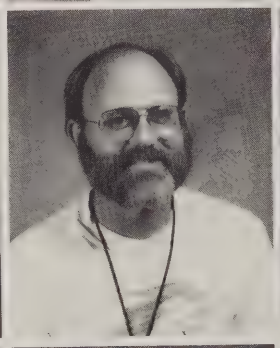

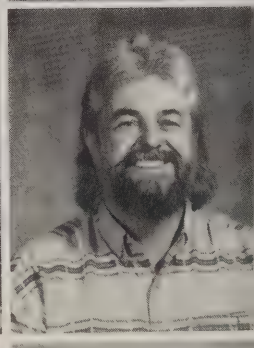

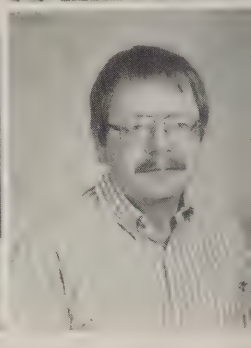

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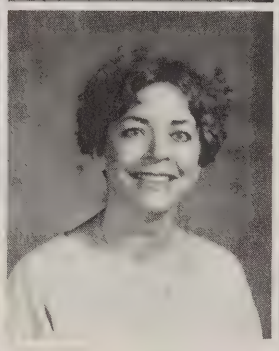

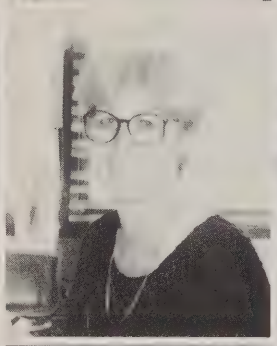

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Miss Robin A. Osborne: Physics, Science Club
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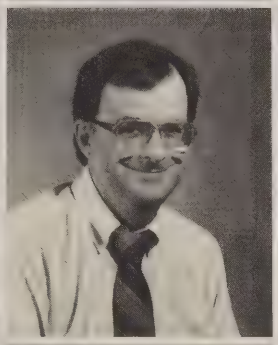
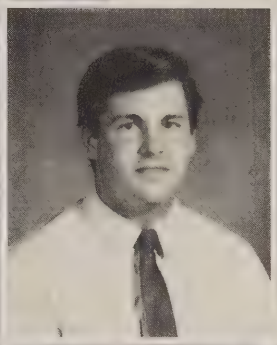

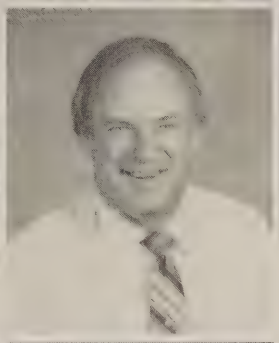

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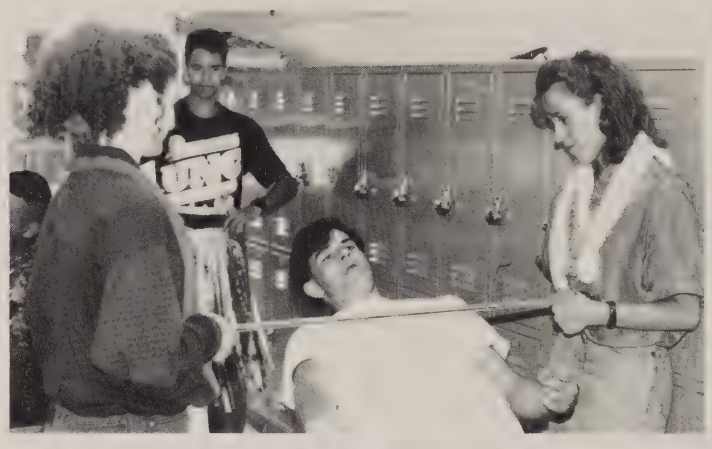
Chow time. Jill Carter serves Spanish food to Jessica Oakley and Angie Jenkins in Mrs. Witherspoon's fourth period class.

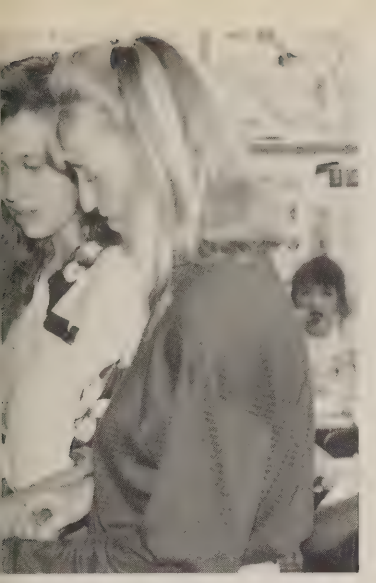


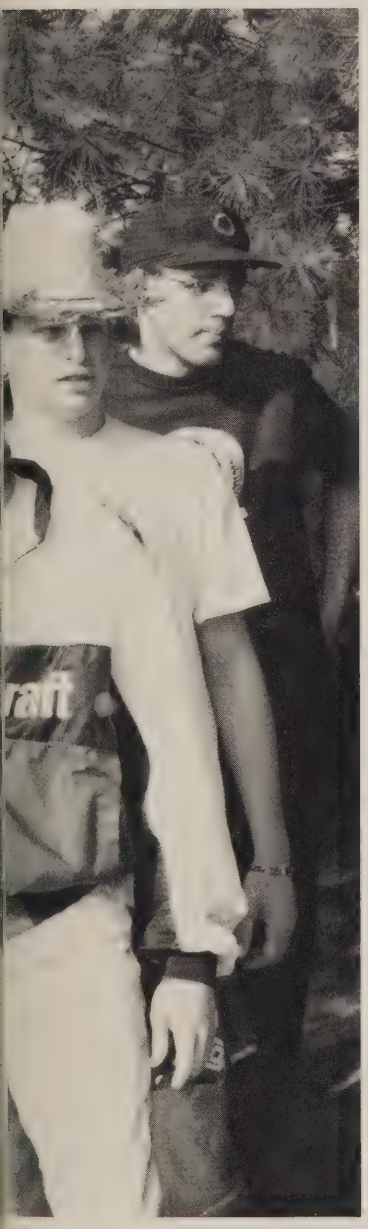
How low can you go? Derick Atkins wriggles under the limbo stick held by Lauren Null and Allison Hines in Mrs. Fines's third period trig class. It was all part of Luau Day to say good-bye to the seniors.

Grave situation. Students in the American studies class peer into a mausoleum at Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond during a field trip.

Eggs-periment. Standing at the top of the bleachers, Steve Hawley drops an egg protected by a styrofoam cup as part of a design contest in his second period physics class.

Visual sound effects. James Tilley holds a sign over Bryan McDearmon as Robert Chamberlain and Rex Mc Coy look on in a *Huckleberry Finn* skit.





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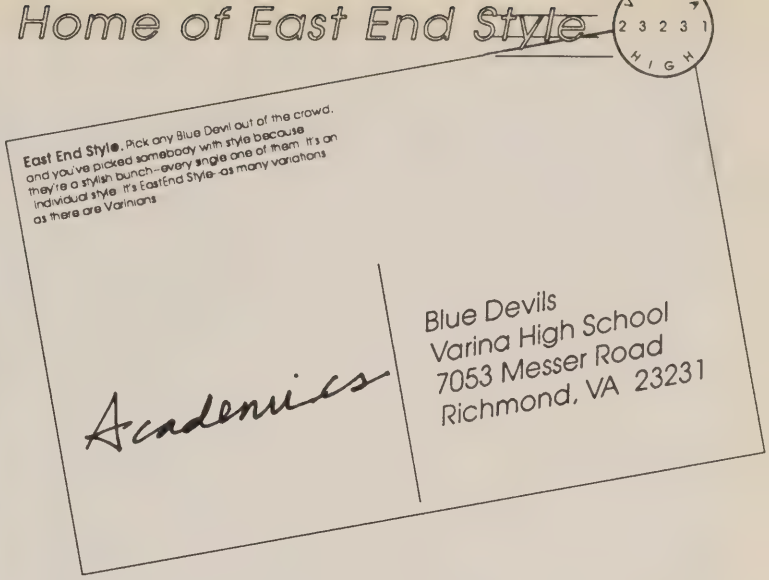
Home of East End Style



Come to school — get 3 points. Or, behave — get 3 points. It was all part of the motivational program to improve attendance and behavior by augmenting nine-weeks grades for incentive.

But with classes like those at Varina, who needed extra incentive? Students ran businesses, competed academically, performed in skits, held mock elections and boarded buses for field trips to points all over the state. Sure, there were tests to study for, notes to keep track of and research assignments to plan; you had to have that sort of stuff. But classes conducted East End Style made even the daily grind a blast.

Points to Motivate

Extra Incentive

Class competition, pizza parties, Goal Cards, three points, inspire achievement

Straight out of junior Rex McCoy's mouth came cheese, pepperoni, a little Pepsi and the statement that "it's normal to eat pizza in the morning." Well, for Rex, it may have been business as usual, but for most of us, eating catered pizza at 9:30 in the morning was a bit irregular. But that was what you got when you were the winner of round one of the Blue Devil Academic Competition.

The BDAC was designed to encourage students to get better grades. Run by Mrs. Sue James, the psychology teacher, it put to work the theory of behavior modification through reward.

Each participating class was divided into divisions, and all classes in the division competed against each other by taking a quiz every week and trying to get the highest average. The three highest scores were then rewarded with either a candlelight breakfast, free tickets to an athletic event or a pizza party given by the catering class.

Mrs. Kay Fowler's second period U.S. History class definitely earned their class name of "Fighting Fowlers" when they won first place with a 97 quiz average. Because of the quiz's topics, Events Leading Up to the Civil War and Thomas Jefferson, the students got to go to Monticello to get hands on experience with the life and times of Thomas Jefferson.

The next quiz Mrs.Fowler planned to give was on Ben Franklin, and that caused some rather unrealistic expectations among her students. "Now the students want to go to Philadelphia if they win again," said Mrs.Fowler.

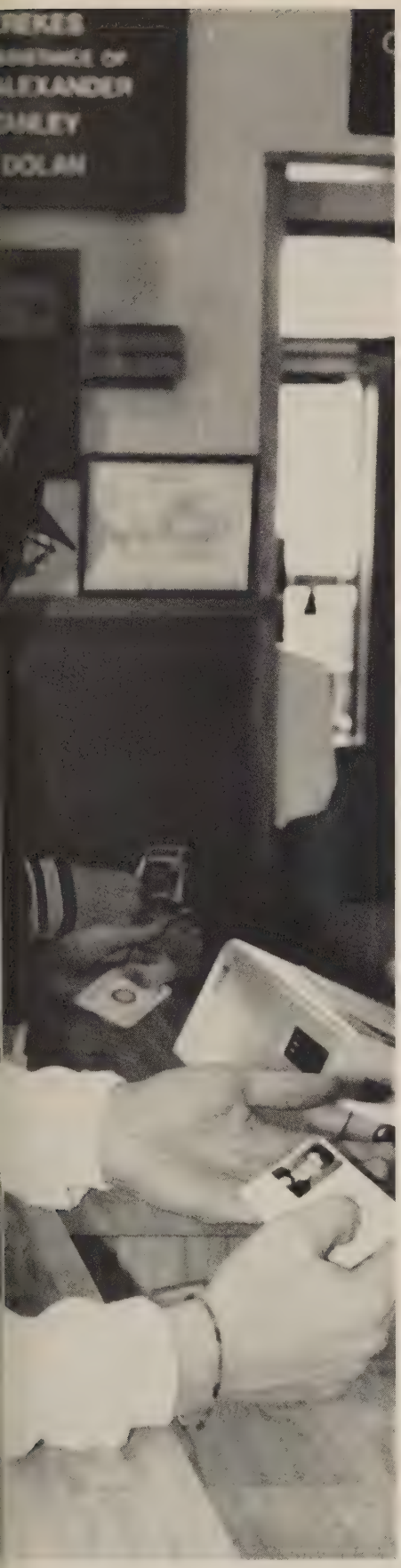
Many may have wondered about their recipe for sucess. "Study buddies," partners that quizzed one another in class before the actual quiz, seemed to be the key ingredient. Mrs. Fowler felt that this provided encouragement and promoted self-esteem.

Other ideas that were designed to encourage students involved not only getting good grades but also behaving and getting perfect attendance. The Goal Card, Varina's answer to American Express, started from an idea that Dr. Henry Nelson got from another school to help stem the problem of student absenteeism. A student was eligible for a card if his GPA was a 3.0 or above with no F's, or if he had perfect attendance, or if he earned all *1* 's in the attitude section on his report card.

By presenting a Goal Card at various local establishments, students received discounts on everything from fast food to flowers to entertainment. Ms. Mary McDonald, who was in charge of keeping the records and getting more businesses to participate, said that in a survey of 300 Goal card owners, 70% said they used them, and 90% planned on using it. Ms. McDonald said, "Businesses have found it to be beneficial to them to participate. It brings in a lot of business."

Dr.Nelson also began the concept of granting three extra points on final grades to students who had perfect attendance or earned *1*'s in attitude in a class for a nine weeks.

Yes, there was, as they said, more than one way to skin a cat, and at Varina there was more than one way to really succeed.



Discount please. Senior Kevin Hale presents his Goal Card at Burger King for a discount on his meal. Mike Krevonick waits to use his. Students earned the cards with academic performance, exemplary behavior or perfect attendance.

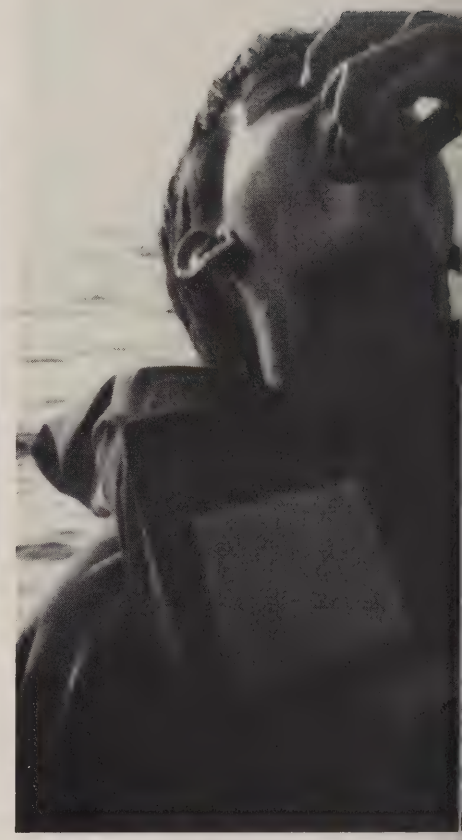
Academic champs. Members of Mr. Chuck Kratzert's class pose in L-2 cafeteria with the trophy they won for their performance in the Blue Devil Academic Competition.

Prize pepperoni. Jamie Marshall, Eric Bond and Chris Lawhorne join their classmates in G-12 as they dig into the pizza they won for thier first place finish in the first round of the Blue Devil Academic Competition.

Congratulations. During the breakfast celebrating their BDAC victory, Dr. Henry Nelson recognizes Heather Burrow's accomplishment, as he did for each member of the team.

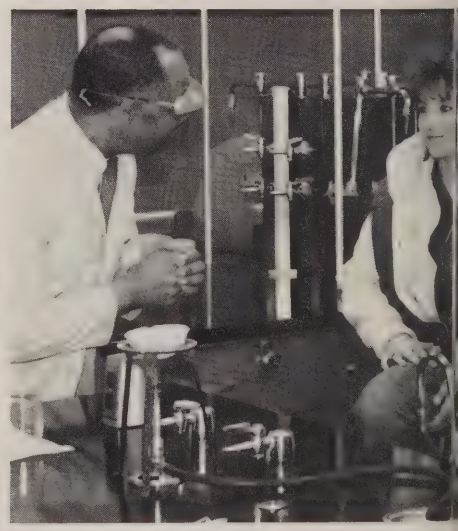
Gulp! Travis Whitlow slurps down a raw oyster freshly taken from the bay on a biology field trip to Port Isobel.

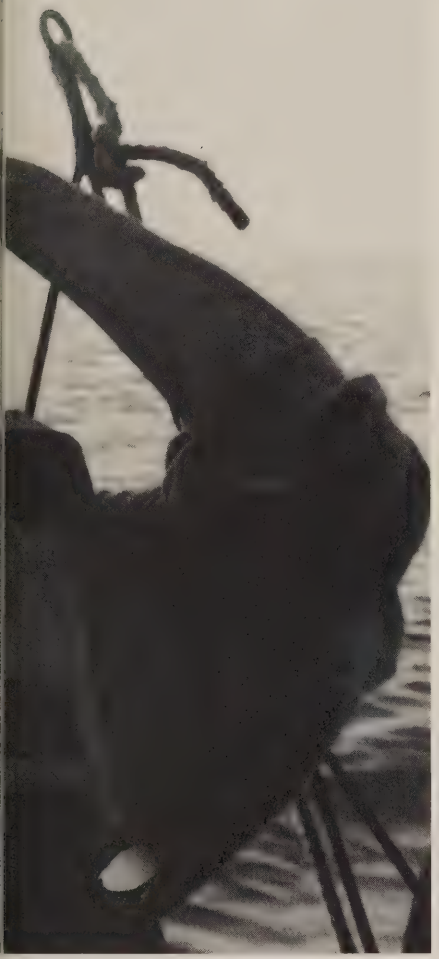
Capping it off. Still wearing the sanitary head gear provided on the field trip, gourmet foods students clown around outside the facilities they toured at Nabisco.



Deadly serious. American studies students Jay Strath, Lisa Jernigan, Wendy Shaw and others gather around a monument at Hollywood Cemetery, where they toured, took notes and did tombstone rubbings.

Smokin'. The chef at Kabuto's serves hot food straight from the grill table to Japanese students who have gone to the West End restaurant on a field trip.





On the Road

Field trips provide grave experiences, live performances for student travelers

Classes could sometimes bore you to death, but then some classes took you to visit the dead. So it was with the American studies class when they took a field trip to Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond. This one, like other field trips, kept classes from being "deadly."

At the historic burial grounds the students saw the many graves of Civil War soldiers and the decorations on old gravestones. On other trips, the class traveled to Maymont Park, Williamsburg and even to Nakoma Sours's grandmother's house on an Indian reservation.

At Maymont, the Dooley mansion attracted many students and illustrated the lifestyle of the very wealthy in late nineteenth-century America, the period the class had been studying.

All field trips, of course, didn't venture into the past. Honors chemistry students went to Virginia State University in Petersburg to tour the chemistry lab, get a glimpse of new technology in the field, and watch experiments.

One of the experiments performed used zinc, sodium hydroxide and heat. The last necessity was a penny. The professor combined these four things and produced a gold penny, which he gave to Henry Davis. Henry's first question was, "Is this worth more money?" It was answered with with a laughing "No" from Ms. Robin Osborne.

Biology classes used old technology on a trip to Presquile nature preserve. They climbed into canoes, paddled around and took water samples of the creek. They even had time for a few mud fights. They went to the Math and Science Center in April and collected small samples of wildlife in the pond there.

On a more cultural level, art students headed for the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts and the VCU art school to tour the exhibits and see artists at work.

The performing arts provided a destination for other field trips. French IV & V students attended a performance of "Les Miserables" at the Mosque one night, and drama students went to Longwood College in Farmville, Virginia, to see the comedy "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum." Margaret Fisher said, "It was an excellent play. We got to talk and eat with actors and got an idea of what it would be like in college."

So whether it was seeing a live performance or a place of the dead, field trips gave students a break from the daily routine.

Lab work. Visiting a Virginia State University laboratory on a field trip, chemistry students Shari Younkers, Mary Ward and Tamara Tucker get a look at modern equipment and a demonstration from a VSU professor.

Play Time

Daily colonial life, Christmas wishes, Medieval ballads and fantasies provide inspiration for skits

Act up in some classes and you got sent to the office. Act up in others and you got a good grade. Of course, you had to follow the script because it was likely you were acting up in a skit.

One class that relied on student performances was American studies. Junior Phillip Fincher remembered one class play that took place in a wigmaker's shop in colonial America. Phillip, who played the wigmaker, said, "I put a wig made of pom-poms and chalk dust on Artie Noel's head."

Foreign language classes performed their fair share of skits, too. Scott Mistr once dressed up as Julio Iglesias for Allison Hines's Spanish skit. He had to lip-sync a song and hand Mrs. Brenda Witherspoon a rose. Scott apparently liked doing skits and said, "Getting up in front of people comes naturally to me."

Studying Medieval culture gave French IV students a chance to perform at Christmas. Ryan Hardiman played a sleeping princess, and costumed classmates came up one at a time and whispered a Christmas wish in her ear. The best wish would awaken her. Joey Robinson came up dressed as a wizard to make his wish, but Heidi Powell, dressed as a witch, got her wish.

The Medieval Age also gave Mr. Joey Boehling's English 12 students a chance to act. They were put into groups and assigned different ballads. Each group then performed their dramatic interpretation of the poems.

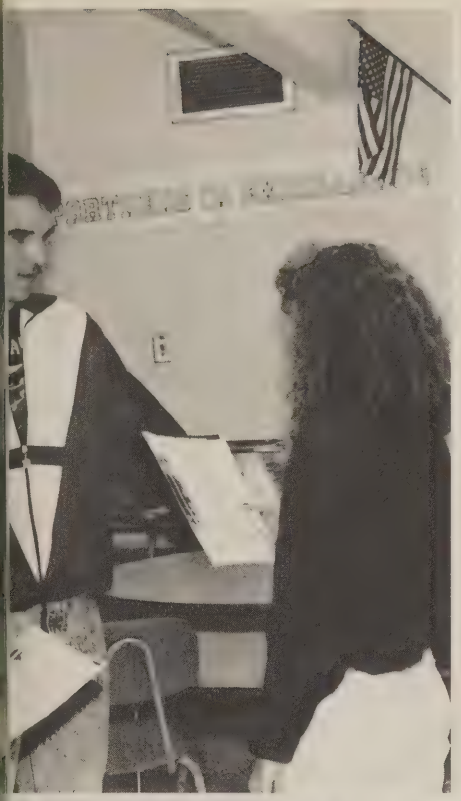
Fantasy Day in psychology was a play-fest. Karrie Green played Cher in Meg Benedetti's "Dance Fever" fantasy. The dance contestants included Christy Allen, Chris White, Meg Benedetti and Jason Weatherford. Karrie said, "You havent' seen anything until you see Chris White dance."

Another fantasy saw Steve Pearson in a "Saturday Night Live" sketch, where he played Copyman and Meg Benedetti portrayed Pat.

Skits were a popular way of getting a good grade and having fun at the same time.

Fashion risk. Brad Melton dons skirt and wig to portray a senorita in Mrs. Brenda Witherspoon's Spanish class.

Dance fever. Meg Benedetti and Jason Weatherford" do the bump, while Christy Allen and Chris White jitterbug during psychology classes' Fantasy Day. Jennifer Chenault, Lisa Toman, John Conway, Kevin Hale, Karrie Green and Kelly Barden look on.



Middle Age fun. Bryan Myer, Christy Colgin, Kirk Bane and Melissa Elliotte act out "The Demon Lover," a Medieval ballad, in Mr. Joey Boehling's sixth period English 12 class.

Costumed cut-ups. Wayne Ellyson plays an old lady, and Bryan McDearmon and James Tilley join in the scene from *Huckleberry Finn* in Mrs. Susan Heslep's English 11 class. The class made a slide show with a soundtrack for the skit, and Bryan even played his guitar to provide background music.

Backstage barber. Before whispering a Christmas wish in the sleeping princess's ear, Joey Robinson, who is dressed as a wizard, gets some help from Shelly Barnes in adjusting his cotton beard. It was all part of a holiday re-enactment in Mrs. Faye Conway's French IV-V class of an old French tradition.

Extra Effort

From running rats to oversized Tootsie Pops, projects had students putting in plenty of overtime

Classes certainly included notes, tests and homework. But every now and then, students found themselves saddled with projects and papers. They took a lot of time and VHS students turned out some pretty good ones.

Projects were assigned in just about every subject. From art to science, from world studies to math, students often found themselves carrying around a a project or a big piece of poster board.

Art students found an outlet for their creativity when theydisplayed work for shoppers at Fairfield Commons. Perhaps the most notable projects were the giant replicas of lollypops, Lifesavers and other items. Bart Holland made a Tootsie Pop that looked just like the real thing, only it was about twenty times as big. Brooke Northen created an oversized bottle of Chanel and said, "It took a lot of time and work, but I was happy with the way it turned out." Lisa Ancarrow's contribution to the show was a shiny, aluminum foil-covered tube of red lipstick. When these projects weren't at the shopping center, they decorated the school library.

Projects done in Mrs. Diane Epstein's World Studies I classes also ended up in the library, and Everett Comstock's life-sized knight caught everyone's attention. It sat in the chair in the reading area. Everett said, "It took me a couple of days to make the knight. I stuffed clothes in a frame made of cardboard held together with duct tape." The knight earned him a 100 and a place in the county's Arts and Technology Festival at the Showplace.

Other eye-catching products from the class were architectural in nature. They included Antoine Shaw's Parthenon, which was made of wood and painted white, and Alisha Tucker's beautifully decorated mosque.

Varina's first science fair kept many students busy. Nichelle Johnson won an award for her experiment with antacids. She tested six different antacids to see which was the most effective by dropping each into vinegar. She typed up the data and arranged it into charts. Nichelle noted, "Tums was the most effective. It neutralized the quickest in the vinegar."

Another sophomore, T. R. Fluker won first place with an experiment testing the effect of different types of music on mice. He played music and watched how the animals went through a maze. The experiment showed that mice performed best listening to jazz and worst listening to rap and heavy metal.

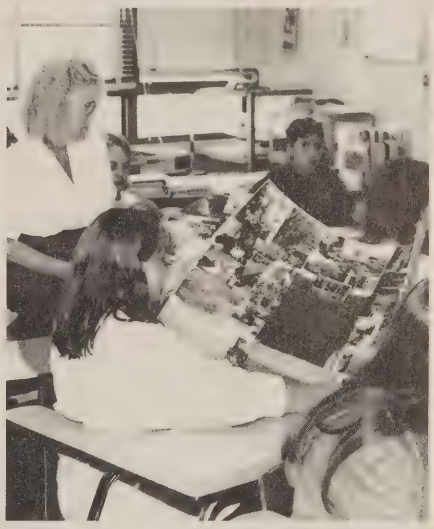
Mrs. Mary Ellen Fines's trig classes were assigned two projects. One was to write a paper and make a project on how trigonometry was used in a career. Jessica Chenault built a house out of popsicle sticks to show trig's use in architecture, and Richard Kraus made a satellite with a glowing light inside to go along with his report on astronomy.

Their second project was the *Math Times*, a mathematical newspaper that each student contributed to. They could write editorials, draw cartoons, write sports stories that involved math, develop a classified ad for a math career or write an article on a famous mathematician. Tamara Tucker did a basketball story showing averages, and Susan Jacobs drew a political cartoon depicting budget cuts symbolized by an elephant's foot stomping on education.

An end of the year assignment that faced juniors and seniors was the infamous research paper. Henry Davis wrote one on Bill Cosby for Mr. Vince Bland's English 11 class. He said, "I had the most trouble finding information from magazines." He said he worked on the paper for about two weeks and finished the night before it was due.

Projects, artistic or written, kept Varina students busy.

Don't *leave* home without it. As part of a leaf-collecting project for Mrs. Velma Shirey's biology class, Kellie Smith, Amy Robins and Travis Gathright examine a campus magnolia tree to add to their collection.



On Display. Amy Whitt shares her world studies project with Mrs. Daine Epstein and her classmates.

Look out below! Her egg wrapped in a protective device as part of a physics assignment, Beth Burton lets it fall to the pavement below the bleachers. Dean Munro, Kim Lund and Jenny Arrighi watch its descent while Margie Harrison and Angie Fleece wait to drop their eggs next.

Command Performances

Boston beckons chorus, assemblies & competition occupy strings and band

They sang loud and they sang well — loud and well enough to be heard all the way to Boston. Of course, the chorus wasn't yelling, except in joy when they found out that they would be traveling to Boston to perform in the New England Music Festival.

To get there, they relied on their sweet voices and their sales of sweets. M&M sales helped pay for the trip, and in the competition they placed second.

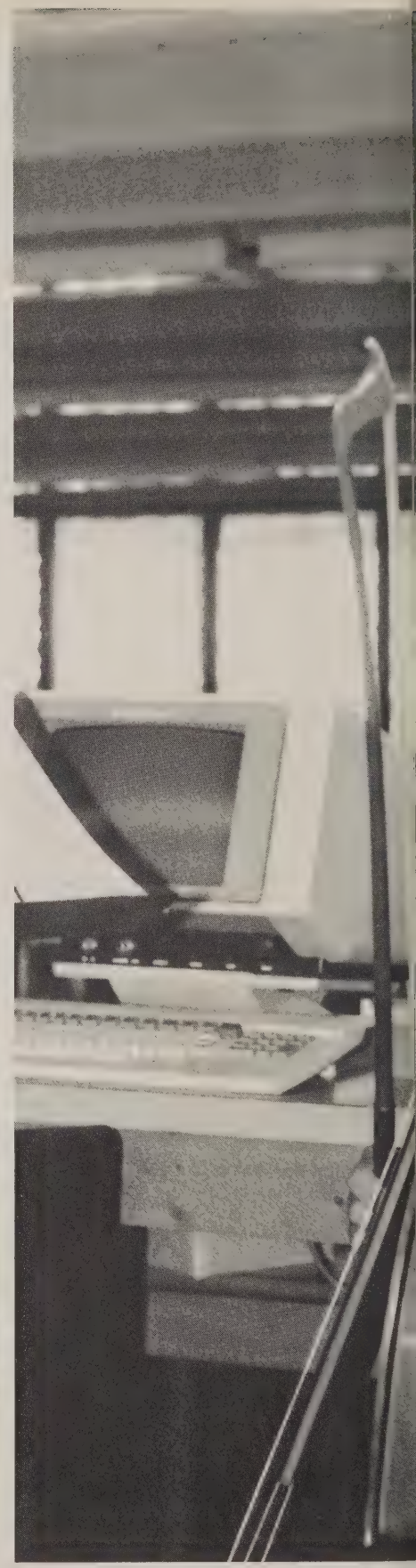
For other performances, the choruses entertained at area churches and shopping malls. For the end of the year ceremonies for graduation at the Mosque, the chorus performed what Mr. Jim Perry called their best song, the spiritual "Ain't That Good News."

When the chorus classes evacuated the music room in A-hall, the strings class took over. They met daily during seventh period rehearsing for performances. These included the Christmas assembly and the teacher luncheon.

And the band was always on stage. The jazz band, for instance, played for the Beta tapping, and they and the symphonic band played at the Christmas assembly for the student body.

On the competitive side, the symphonic band once again earned a Superior rating at the District Band Festival.

Strings: Front Row: Telly Taylor, Byron Stith; **Second Row:** Geneda Taylor, Lauren Null, Angie Fleece, Tanya Amstutz, Nakoma Sours, Angie Forsyth; **Back Row:** Nikki Williams, Shauna James, Jesse Cheadle, Amanda Kissinger, Brenda Robertson, Mrs. Ellen Grainger (Director).



Bassic entertainment. Telly Taylor provides the bass accompaniment as the strings perform for the faculty at the Christmas luncheon on the library.

Class Act. Mr. Gary Thompson conducts the symphonic band as they perform "Pomp and Circumstance" for the Class Day procession of the senior class in the gym.

Sing out. The chorus performs for the public outside G. C. Murphy at Fairfield Commons shopping mall.

Mixed Chorus: Ley Gaulding, Pleshette Goode, Lori Woolard, Lori McAlinden, Carolyn Garnett, Jamie Tanner, Nikki Pruitt.

Concert Choir: Front Row: Tricia Wiles, Toya Friend, Jessica Meade, Tammi Kersey, Christie Craig, Madelyn Galimore; **Second Row:** Nikki Pruitt, Dana Roots, Luchetia Rainey, Darren Milby, Howardetter Gregory, Chassidy Baldwin; **Back Row:** Floyd Chapman, Duane Moore, Sam Ikenberry, Matt Burns, T. R. Fluker, Jason Hawes.

Ninth Grade Choir: Front Row: Kim Turnage, Martha Ford, Mendy Rogers, Sarah Cole, Jennifer Durrette, Jennifer Wade, Sheila Cannon; **Back Row:** Dawn Blair, Jo Inge, Crystal Gower, Torie Clarke, Jessica Mulik, Nura Abdul, Sheila Cannon, Yvonka Weaver.

In Business

Blow-Pops & big receptions help classes bring in bucks

Usually when a teacher said she "meant business" it meant trouble, but when Mrs. Mary Dick or Mrs. Diane Epstein said it, they meant just what they said — business.

Each teacher taught classes that actually ran businesses. Mr. Epstein's applied economics class participated in the Junior Achievement program, and their profits expanded like the bubble gum inside the Blow-Pops they sold. The third period class set up a business called Sweet Tooth Enterprises.

They sold shares in the business, set up an assembly line to put together the Blow-Pop bouquets they sold, and made several hundred dollars. They took the profits and paid dividends to stockholders, paid the workers and threw themselves a pizza party.

Also in the food business, but in an even bigger way was the catering class. The two-period section in the home economics department catered events that included the NHS tapping, a Sandston Womens Club function and a reception at the Donahoe PTA.

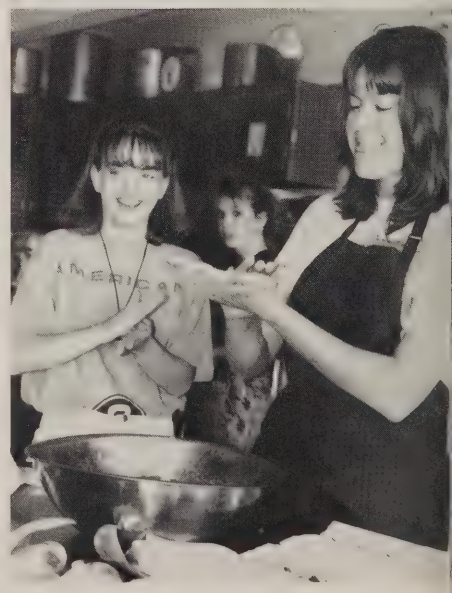
The young business partners, who called themselves Class Act, had to prepare the food and figure the cost, and their charge was approximately 15-20% above cost.

Profits paid for four students to attend a HERO leadership conference, field trips and costs incurred in attending competitive events.

At the District HERO competition, the class distinguished itself, with Meghan Corbett's dessert cart taking Best in Show and Meme Bentley, Anne Turner and Heather McCardle winning first places for dessert cart, quick breads and yeast breads, respectively.

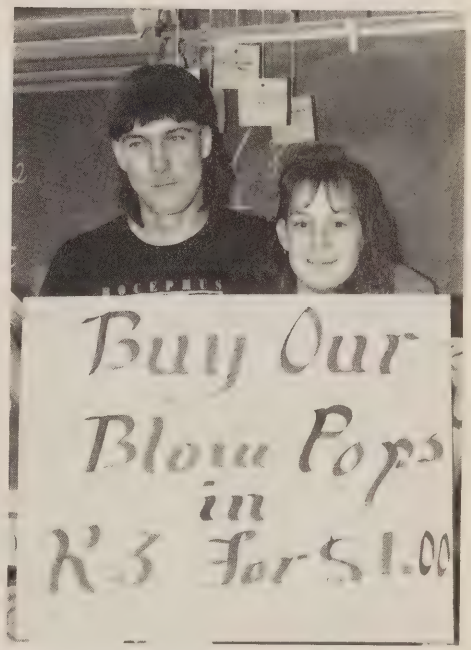
When Varina classes got rolling, they really "meant business."

HERO: Front Row: Tanya Amstutz, Annie Downs, Arnie Eberly, Jessica Groff, Meme Bentley, Katrina Young, Anne Turner, Liz Nicholas; **Second Row:** Lisa Jernigan, Mindy Thomas, April Cox, Spencer Moore, Francesca Gonzales, Roxanne Finley, Sherry Childress, Shannon Tawney, Wendy Swinson, Patricia Garner; **Back Row:** Terri Atkinson, Kimberly Bryant, Joey Goodwyn, Leonard Mitchell, Teddy Lewis, Michael Tucker, Mrs. Mary Dick (Adviser).



Really rolling. Annie Downs and Lisa Jernigan form meatballs to be served at an upcoming reception catered by Class Act.

Easy does it. Taking care with the knife, Roxanne Finley cuts cauliflower into bite-sized pieces for a vegetable tray for catering.



Sales pitch. Hoping to make their applied economics class business, Sweet Tooth Enterprises, successful, Sean Long and Chris Smiley show off their advertising sign.

Eye on the product. Perfecting her assembly line technique, Amy Murdoch carefully watches Mrs. Diane Epstein assemble a Blow-Pop bouquet, the item sold by the second period applied economics class.

The joint is jumpin'. Grey Snelson leapfrog over Airren Dabney a sidewalk physic demonstration outside of L-Hall during seventh period

Right there. Christy Allen shows Airren Dabney where he might safely place the next penny in their aluminum foil boat without sinking it. Wendy Baer and Mickey McNutt watch the progress of the physics lab.

Weighty matter. Paul Stemen and Sherian Walker adjust the balance beam as they weigh material for a chemistry lab in Mr. Gammon's seventh period class.

Model mania. With marshmallows and toothpicks, Richard Kraus, Coleen Wade and Virgil Mosu assemble molecular models in their fourth period chemistry class.

Show Me How

Labs mix mayonnaise, marshmallows, eggs to make material make better sense

Ideas and information were fine, but there came a time when you just needed to *see* how all this stuff you were learning really worked. So there were plenty of labs and demonstrations to clarify class material and even inject a little fun into the class.

Of course, you found these activities primarily in science classes, and physics presented more than its share of unusual labs or demonstrations. Young physicists and climbed to the top of the football field bleachers at one point to drop eggs, hoping not to produce a giant omelette on the asphalt pavement below. Before the ascent, they had become engineers of sorts and had protected the eggs in devices of their own design, which included everything from toilet paper to styrofoam.

Another physics lab had students crowding around a lab table to test buoyancy and water displacement. After making a "boat" of aluminum foil, pairs of experimenters competed to see who could load their craft with the most pennies without sinking it in the pan of water it floated in.

Then in a demonstration of momentum, they reverted to childhood and played leapfrog on the campus sidewalks, measuring the jumps of each contestant against the length of unassisted leaps.

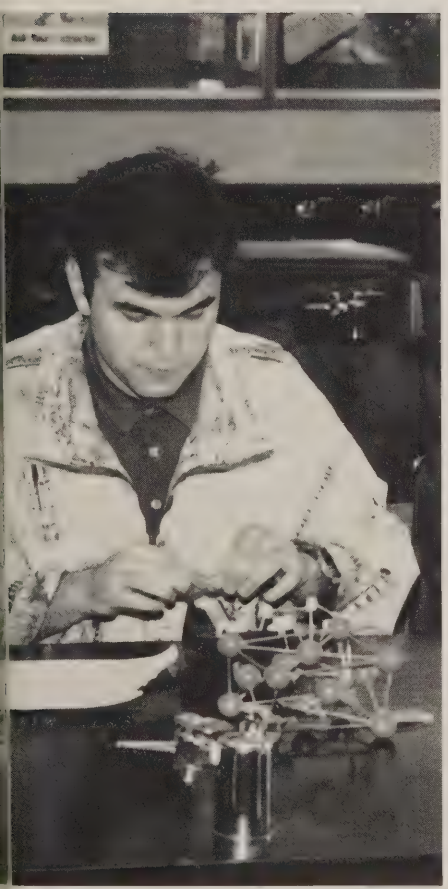
Naturally, there were chemistry labs, and chemistry students threw different salts into the flame of a bunsen burner and observed the colors produced. The colors indicated the chemical composition of the salt being tested.

These weren't salts to season food with, but other labs were almost edible, if you wanted to eat out of a beaker. To investigate colloidial suspensions, chemistry students put egg into a beaker and beat it while adding oil to make mayonnaise.

They also produced a sort of dessert later on when they took marshmallows and toothpicks to construct models that would illustrate molecular structure.

Math classes got in on the demonstration act, too. Mrs. Mary Ellen Fines's trigonometry classes took to the parking lot behind the cafeteria to personify unit circles. Groups grasped hands and formed a big circle marked out on the lot, then they started to move in unison in a circle. This illustrated how a point on the edge of a circle had to move faster than a point within the circle did when the whole thing turned.

Jumping, dropping, burning and turning all played a part in giving students a better picture of of the concepts dealt with in their classes.



Mathematical do-si-do. Dean Munro, Bonnie Martin, Grey Snelson, Heather Casey and Lisa Quesinberry hold hands to form a unit circle sketched on the parking lot as part of a demonstration for Mrs. Mary Ellen Fines's trig class.

Let's Pretend

Role-playing activities let students put class concepts to work

Playing make-believe seemed like a game for little kids, but big kids could get a lot out of it. Among others, students in family living, psychology and government found out how much when they assumed a role other than that of student during several class activities.

In June, as a culminating activity, family living students ran their own day-care center. They brought in toddlers to care for and entertain for half a day.

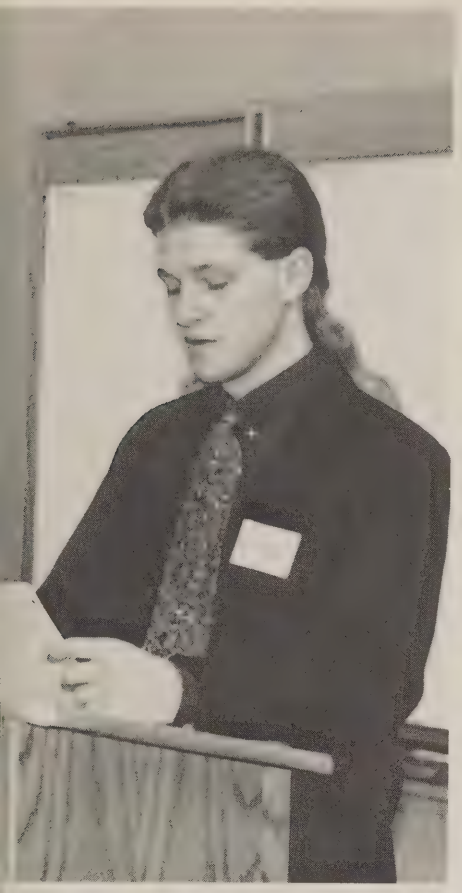
While family living students cared for little children, government students took on the very adult responsibility of conducting election campaigns. In November they held a mock election. Students took a politician and researched his or her views on issues. Then they composed campaign speeches and delivered them to students in social studies classes. Finally, they held the election.

Psychology students switched places with teachers for a day. They solicited volunteers from the faculty and administration to replace and then consulted with the teachers to find what material they would be expected to teach. It was then planning time, and the students had to make up lessons and lectures and assemble any other materials they might need for the day. Then they took over for a day and taught the class, graded the papers and even dealt with discipline, if necessary.

In another simulation exercise, psychology students rented out space in the Airport Sheraton to conduct the James Foundation, an imaginary institution that would award grants for proposed research and projects. Students researched chosen problems or issues related to psychology and drafted proposals on how to deal with them. They made presentations to a panel of judges, who evaluated the presentations and made the awards. The activity was given an added air of realism by the environment of the hotel. It was made even more enjoyable by the catered luncheon served.

So it seemed that pretending wasn't just a pastime for little children. It was a learning experience for high school students.

Campaign trail. Rebecca Johns presents the case for Mr. Jim Donati, running for Varina supervisor, to Mr. Gary Stauffer's US History class as part of the mock election. Karrie Green, Kevin Hale, John Shurm and Brian Allred await their turns.



Going for the grant. Michael Carter and partner Sarah Zeigler take to the podium at the Sheraton to present their research in the psychology class's James Foundation activity.

Teacher for a day. As part of the psychology class's teacher-student exchange day, David Benfield conducts a French class where he has the students play Scrabble.

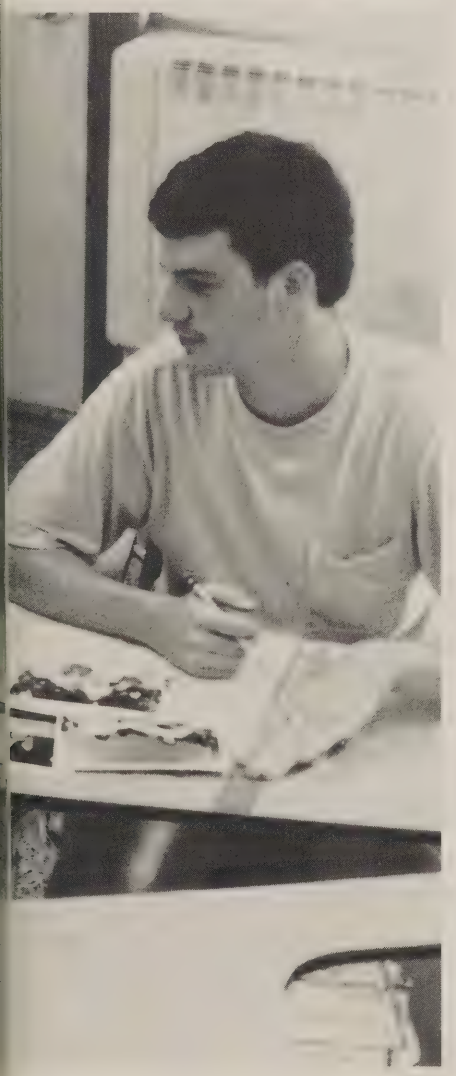
Up we go! Ricky Duncan gives a pre-schooler a piggy-back ride during the family living class's model daycare center activity.

Oops! As yearbook staff members organize subscribers beside the library for the cover shot of the yearbook, Mr. Boehling gets ready frame the photograph. This was the first try for the cover photo, and Mr. Boehling had the camera set wrong, necessitating another session two weeks later.

***Varina Connection*: Front Row:** Rebecca Johns (Editor), Susan Vines, Amy Latta, Rhonda Bulheller, Che Smith, Racquel Powell, Earl Dandridge; **Back Row:** Jerquan Austin, Kenneth Salisbury, Scott Mistr, Mrs. Susan Knight (Adviser), Jennifer Wells, Wanda Taylor, Roshell Wright, Sherman Burwell.

***Varinian* Staff: Front Row:** Benji Ashworth, Chris White, Ryan Hardiman, Mandy Hardy, Allison Hines, Angie Sears, Jennifer Chenault, Meg Benedetti; **Back Row:** Farrah Stone, Brian Allred, Greg Aigner, Wendy Gardner, Jennifer Roper, Nicole Conner (Editor), Brande Thomas, Ley Gaulding, Mr. Joey Boehling (Adviser).

Summer session. Farrah Stone shows Nicole Conner a possible photograph for the yearbook as they and Brian Allred work on separate spreads during a June morning after school had let out.



Publishing

Journalists bring out five issues of school news, a collection of student literature and a yearbook

Research, interviews, writing, cropping, captioning — it kept the *Varinian* staff busy during their second period class. It was all necessary to put together 176 pages of the yearbook you're holding now.

And it didn't get done easily. Designs for each section had to be decided upon, typestyles chosen, pictures taken, layouts designed, lost material had to be found or redone, and of course the staff had to socialize.

To market the book, the staff chose to hold a school-wide assembly in the gym. Days were spent selecting photographs and converting them to slides. Then they sat down with the library's dissolve unit and set the show to music. Naturally, once it got to the gym, it decided not to work quite right, and the projection screen was quite difficult to get to descend. Well, it all worked out, and after the show, Lauren Null came up to draw the lucky winners of free yearbooks. They were Eddie Hidalgo and Shawn Terry.

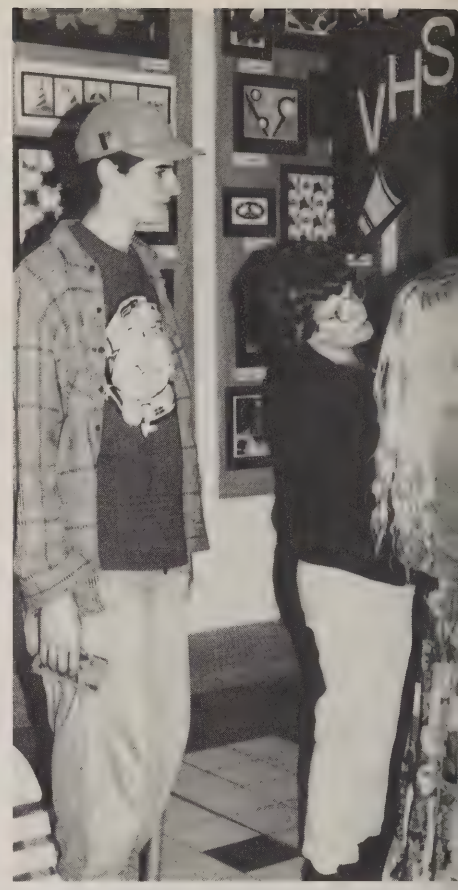
That all took time, but putting the book together was the biggest chore. Perhaps, the cover design proved the biggest challenge. It went through numerous changes, ending up with a background water color run executed by staff member Greg Aigner. The picture took several tries, thanks to Mr. Boehling having the camera set wrong for the first picture. But on the second try, all the subscribers gathered in the field beside the library, looked up to the roof, smiled and got their photo snapped for posterity. It's right on the front — take a look.

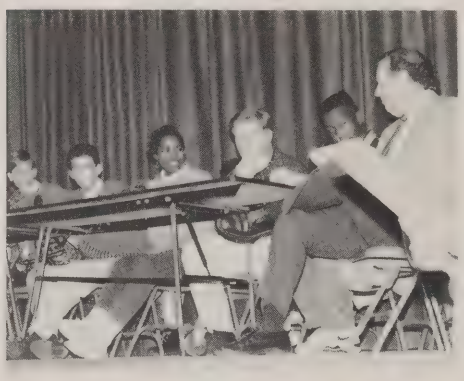
Despite the work, it still took time after school to finish. And into July you could find Brian Allred, Nicole Conner, Farrah Stone, Jennifer Roper, Wendy Gardner and Angie Sears plugging away in D-10, putting the final touches on spreads for the book.

All year next door in D-12, the *Varina Connection* staff could be found working on the newspaper. With editor Rebecca Johns at the helm, the staff cranked up their Macintosh computer and brought out five issues during the school year with features including VHS couples and getting and spending money.

Sixth and seventh periods each day found creative writing students in D-12 working away at computer terminals. They wrote poems and short stories, many of which found their way into *Paradox*, the literary magazine that came out in June.

Art inspection. Greg Aigner, Cat Smith and Greg Durrette look over the installation of student artwork they have just finished at Virginia Center Commons shopping center.



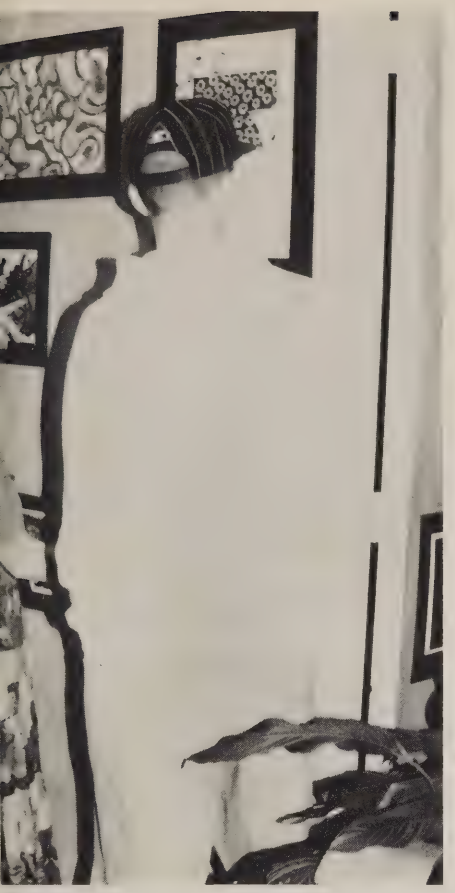


Pensive pose. Phil Harris considers an answer during a club night challenge to the Battle of the Brains team. Teammates Nikki Walton and Henry Davis await his response.

CLASSIC: Front Row: Shawn Burgess (Captain), Sloan Hollis (Captain), Henry Davis (Captain), Byron Stith (Captain), Nicole Walton (Captain); **Second Row:** Cindy Hedge, Bonnie Martin, Anna Noller, Travis Whitlow, Brad Whitlow; **Back Row:** Brian Allred, Melissa Gill, Farrah Stone, Reis Alsberry, Matt Burns.

Battle of the Brains Team: Shawn Burgess (Captain), Byron Stith, Travis Whitlow, Nicole Walton, Brad Whitlow.

Lights. . .camera. . .answer. Battle of the Brains team members Travis Whitlow, Shawn Burgess, Byron Stith and Brad Whitlow wait for the tape to roll in the team's opening round match against Collegiate at the Channel 23 studio.



Showing Off

Competitions, honors feature Varina academic prowess

We knew who was tops in academics, but we had to show everybody else. And there were plenty of opportunities to strut our stuff before the public.

The Battle of the Brains team spent hours after school preparing for their opening bout on Channel 23 against last years winner Collegiate. The Blue Devils came out on the short end of the score in that outing, but on a trip to Charlottesville to compete against teams from across the state, they distinguished themselves with a high finish. They knew some stuff, and they showed it.

Young artists got to show their stuff as well in the CLASSIC competition, the County Arts & Technology Festival and at area shopping malls. Jacob Nolte won an award for his contribution to Patriotism Day, and the CLASSIC Fine Arts Competition presented a number of Varina students with awards. Lisa Ancarrow took a third place in mixed media, Jenny Baughan earned a third place in color design, and Jason Salisbury's black and white design won him a second place.

Seniors Cat Smith, Wendy Baer and Sloan Hollis distinguished themselves in the competition. Cat's graphics entry won a second place, and Wendy's crafts entry took a second as well, while Sloan placed third with his collage.

Overall, the quick question team in the county-wide CLASSIC competition moved up a notch and finished sixth in the final tally. They beat out East End rival Highland Springs and finished in front of Henrico High School.

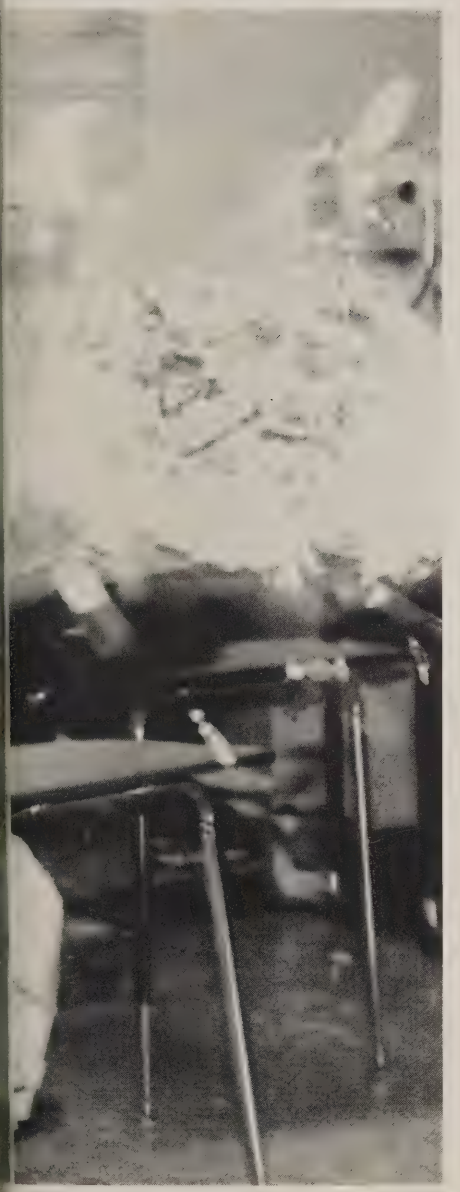
Musically, singers and players garnered honors. Henrico's All-County Chorus featured Shanda Barnes, T. R. Fluker, Toya Friend and Veronica Mitchell. Cindy Hedge, Sam Ikenberry and Jamie Carter joined them as well as qualifying for All-District Chorus. And the Henrico County Chorus tapped Lee Bussells and Luchetia Rainey for membership.

The strings students also had several honored members. Jesse Cheadle, Shana James, Lauren Null, Nakoma Sours, Genita Taylor, Telly Taylor and Nikki Williams all made All-County Strings.

Academically and artistically, Blue Devils showed their East End style.

How low can you go? Reis Alsberry scoots under the limbo stick held by Lauren Null and Allison Hines as part of the trigonometry class's Hawaiian Day, an end-of-the-year holiday from math. Stacey King and Brad Whitlow await their turns.

Chow time. Farrah Stone and Chris White prepare their presentations of German dishes during an *Esstag*, or "Eating Day," in their German class.



Let's Celebrate

Food & fun give students a break from the daily routine

Sometimes, you just needed a break, and there was no better way to get a little academic vacation and even learn something than a classroom celebration. And plenty of classes took the opportunity for a little educational fun.

German classes did that when they held an *esstag*, or "Eating Day." Mrs. Amy Oetting's third year students prepared German dishes and fed the German IV students. Entrees included a German cheesecake, Shawn Terry's *wienerschnitzel*, and Brian Allred's potato soup, which was called *kartoffelsuppe*.

Holidays gave other language classes a chance to eat and have some fun, too. In Spanish classes, students cooked Spanish food and ate it during their celebration of Cinqo de Mayo, the commemoration of Spain's independence from France.

But language classes weren't the only holiday revelers. Juniors in the American studies classes held a traditional Thanksgiving re-enactment in November. Dressed in pilgrim attire, the celebrants served up colonial fare and put on a presentation that they video-taped.

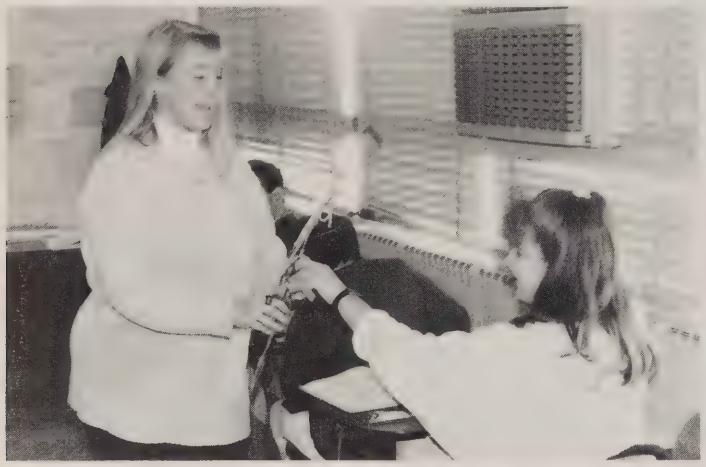
And then there were the times that a break was taken just for a break's sake. Math students in Mrs. Mary Ellen Fines's trigonometry class celebrated the end of a year's worth of hard work when they bade farewell to the seniors on Hawaiian Day. They put on flowered shirts and held a Limbo contest and played musical desks. The winner who found a fish taped to the bottom of the desk won a Starball as prize.

Yes, studying, taking notes and tests, and listening to lectures could be serious business, but sometimes a little frivolity was in order. We took that seriously, too.

Batting clean-up. In a holiday celebration in Mrs. Brenda Witherspoon's Spanish class, Scott Mistr takes a mighty swing with a baseball bat and smashes a candy-filled pinata. Scott had dispensed with the traditional blindfold to get a clean shot at the target.

Blood sacrifice. Jason Jordan lies back and donates blood in the auditorium lobby during the Key Club's spring blood drive.

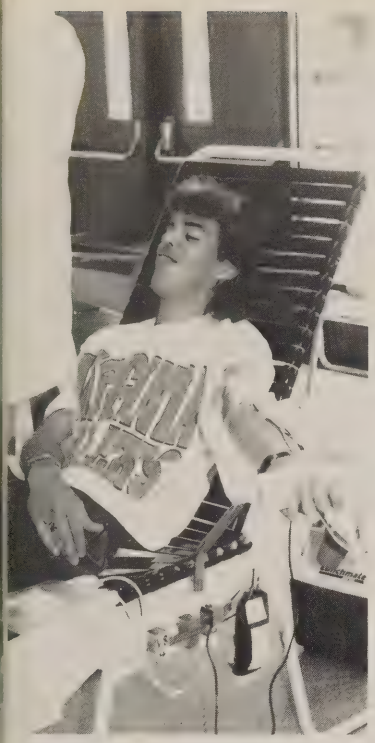
Special delivery. Beta Club member Christy Allen hands over a carnation to Jaime Janiszewski on Valentines Day. The Beta Club sponsored the activity for a fundraiser.



Ring around the roses. New members of the Psycho-Art Club dance to celebrate their induction during an after-school ceremony in the library.

Enlightening. Beta Club Leslie Altic member lights the candle signifying achievement during the club's spring tapping for fifty-one new members.

Training session. Sherri Lanning, Christy Colgin, Chantelle Elam, Nikki Walton, Nikki Caldwell and Jamie Carter take part in a roundtable discussion at the Superintendent's Retreat, where student leaders from across the county met to share ideas for school improvement.



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East End Style. Pick any Blue Devil out of the crowd, and you've picked somebody with style because they're a stylish bunch--every single one of them. It's an individual style. It's EastEnd Style--as many variations as there are Varinians

Clubs

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Blood, sweat and tears — clubs had them all. We bled for the Key Club's blood drives, sweated for fundraisers and cried for joy over induction into an honor society.

And when the bleeding, sweating and crying was over, we celebrated. Sometimes, it was carving pumpkins with fellow German Club members, or maybe it was stuffing our faces at Chi-Chi's with the Spanish Club.

But no matter what it was we were doing, we did it with style — East End Style.

Club for Everyone

Enlisting in the cause. Kevin Hale, Rebecca Johns and Chris White sign the SADD-sponsored Prom Promise in L-2 cafeteria.

Feliz Navidad. Spanish Club members Eddie Hidalgo, Lisa Ancarrow, Mike Prado, Jaime Molina, Rosalyn Wright and Lynette Smith entertain nursing home residents during a Christmas field trip.

For the children. German Club members Phil Harris and Scott Mistr man a booth at the Children's Festival at the Carillon. They made sun-shaped signs with German sayings on them for the children.

Draining experience. Kelly Story smiles as the technician inserts the needle in her arm for blood donation during the Key Club's spring blood drive in the auditorium lobby.

At Your Service

Some businesses might have claimed that *service* was their middle name, but clubs at Varina could say it with certainty.

And serving the school and community could mean actually bleeding. It did for the Key Club when they sponsored two blood drives for the Richmond Metropolitan Blood Service. Setting up cots and equipment in the lobby of the gym, club members helped alleviate the area's blood shortage. Their spring drive drained 76 units from the student body and faculty.

SADD, however, tried to keep students from bleeding. They sponsored the Prom Promise. An assembly before the prom introduced the program, then tables were set up in the cafeteria, and students were urged to pledge not to drink and drive on prom night.

Children and the elderly benefitted from club activities. The German Club set up a booth in the international section at the Carillon in October for the Childrens Festival. While there they cut out sun-like shapes for children to wear and decorated them with German sayings.

The Keyettes didn't forget the kids either. They made Easter baskets for needy children. And the Red Cross made table decorations for the patients at Childrens Hospital for Thanksgiving.

Keyettes and Spanish Club members helped out at the other end of the age spectrum when they visited nursing homes. The Spanish Club went at Christmas and entertained with Christmas carols, and the Keyettes made a visit, too.

The environment benefitted from Science Club activities. At the back of each classroom in the school sat a big box, usually overflowing with scrap paper. It wasn't a sign of student messiness; rather it was an integral part of the Science Club's recycling program. They emptied the boxes weekly for recycling.

Clubs did their part to serve the school, community and the world.

Club Catalogue

Beta Club: Front Row: Shawn Burgess (President), Leslie Altic (V.President), Sarah Zeigler (Secretary), Heidi Powell (Treasurer), Mika Otto, Wendy Bear, Jennifer Chenault; **Second Row:** Lee Mary, Lori McAlinden, Wendy Benfield, Kim Lund, Tracey Sawyer, Beth Burton, Ryan Hardiman, Dean Munro, Kristen Eberly, Cat Smith, Brande Thomas; **Third Row:** Sherry Childress, Sloan Hollis, Christina Webb, Christy Allen, Brooke Welsh, Karrie Green, Janna Perry, Janette Kennedy, Margie Harrison, Tammy Williams, Rodney Harmon, Kristin Comer, James McAvoy; **Fourth Row:** Kristie Johnson, Keith Beagle, Alex Battles, Frank Bryant, Shunda Giles, Nikki Walton, Doug Sweeney, Byron Stith, Heather Burrows, Rebecca Johns, Willie Green; **Back Row:** Bryan Myer, Mike Ramey, Kiva Best, Airen Dabney, Temetra Rice, Chris Hamilton, Shaun O'Neal, Melissa Gill, Gray Gosney, Jennifer Edwards.

Chain Reaction: Front Row: Cindy Hedge (President), Bonnie Martin (V.President of community service), Wendy Gardner (V.President of fundraising), Jami Jeter (V.President of publicity), Susan Jacobs (Corresponding Secretary); **Back Row:** Tamara Tucker (Financial Secretary), Stephanie Parker, Jennifer Roper, Lisa Quesinberry, Heather Casey.

COE: Front Row: Mrs. Betty Mosher (COE Coordinator), Kristen Aligair, Julie Guinn, Tracettia Robinson, Daria Ziglar, Tammy Grubb; **Back Row:** Chartrice Thorne, Christy Bennett, Denise Barlow, Candace Dungee, Shannon Sublette, Angela Grant, Chris Gorham.

DECA: Front Row: Tonya Barlow (Dist. V.President), Kevin Salas (President), Danny Crumpler (V.President), Danny Thompson (Treasurer), Ms. Mary Mc Donald (Adviser); **Second Row:** Wendy Shaw, Sheri Roland, Wendy Boltz, Angela Fidler, Brian Duncan; **Back Row:** David Davenport, Maria Antonellini, Tina Swearengin, Misty Chandler, Barry Williams, Sadonna Jones.

Valentines Express. On February 14, Beta Club member Doug Sweeney delivers a carnation to Farrah Stone in her fifth period English class. The Beta Club sold and delivered the Valentines Day remembrances as a fundraiser.

Candy for coins. Tammy Grubb, Tonya Bennett and Darshall Thompson spin and package cotton candy to make money for the FBLA during the carnival at the Homecoming Game.

Bringing In The Bucks

Money might have been the root of all evil, but for clubs at Varina it was the root of all activity. Clubs just had to raise funds to finance their activities or to help others.

Love and money were a perfect match for some organizations. For example, the Beta Club spent the week before Valentines Day taking orders for carnations. Loaded down with bouquets, club members then made the rounds of classes on February 14 to deliver the flowers to girlfriends, boyfriends or just secret friends.

The SCA ran a Data Match for funds. Students filled out questionnaires about their habits, likes and dislikes. The forms were sent off, the results came back, and students could purchase their list of "perfect matches" for a dollar in the cafeteria.

The band seemed to spend every minute raising money, and they needed a boatload, or maybe a planeload, to finance their New Years trip to London to perform in a parade for the queen. They sold pizzas and fruit, had a Cashola night at Burger King, held a Bowl-a-Thon and later a spaghetti dinner. They even raffled off a car.

While the band was flying, the Spanish Club was walking. They sponsored a Walk-a-Thon on the track, for which they solicited pledges for their timed walk. Afterwards, they threw a pizza party.

Sometimes, the fundraisers were held to help others. Such was the case with the Key Club, who bowled for money. Their Bowl-a-Thon at Bowl America brought in money for the Kiwanis Club.

Money, or the quest for it, kept club members hopping, or at least walking, bowling and selling.

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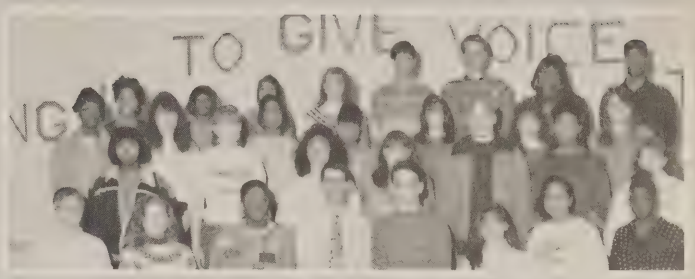

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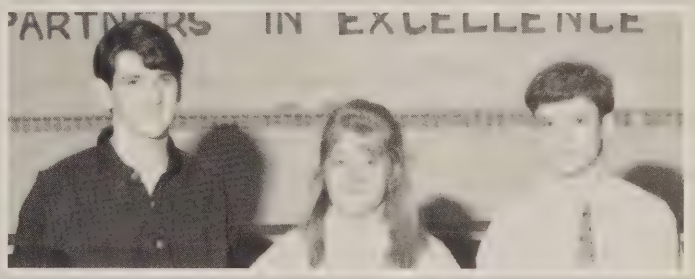
FHA: Front Row: Amy Casey, Sarah Stanley, Kim Sparks, Angie Hardy; **Back Row:** Luchetia Rainey, Neisha Williams, Shawnte Mitchell, Ira Mc Clure.



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Mexican meal. Brooke Welsh and Lisa Ancarrow enjoy a post-fieldtrip lunch at Chi-Chi's with the Spanish Club.

Sleepy time. Jenny Arrighi shows off her raggedy blanket and pink pig slippers to Roxanne Finley during Sleepy Day of Spirit Week at Homecoming.

The way it was. As part of the observance of Black History month sponsored by History Club, a history professor from Virginia State University speaks to history classes about slavery.

Cutting up. Before Halloween, German Club members Kelly Allen, Belle Schoffstall, Leah Schrinel and Sarah Batkins carve pumpkins in an after-school holiday celebration.

Time to Celebrate

Sure, raising money and performing service projects gave clubs plenty to do, but sometimes, they needed some fun. And what better way to have fun than celebrating with a bunch of people with similar interests. That's just what clubs did often — they celebrated.

Holidays were a good time for such activity, and the German Club took advantage of the Halloween season to drop German and just have a good time. They gathered together after school and carved pumpkins in a decidedly non-German celebration.

Getting into a club could also be a cause for celebration. There were receptions after all honor society tappings, but Psycho-Art's induction ceremony was a celebration in itself. Members gathered in the library, and prospective members were assigned absurd tasks to perform before the laughing gazes of the members and inductees. Of course, they all got in, and, of course, a reception with food followed.

The SCA helped the entire school to a good time during Homecoming, a week of activities that the organization sponsored. Spririt Week saw students clad in different gear each day. It ranged from pajamas for Sleepy Day to hippie garb for 60's Day. A carnival during the game, a parade and a dance afterward rounded out the affair.

On a more serious note, the History Club sponsored a school-wide observance of Black History Month. It included a quiz over the p.a. system each day, where clues to the identity of famous African Americans were given, and the student who identified the mystery person won awards. Senior Byron Stith was one of the winners, and he received a huge Hershey Kiss for his accomplishment.

Light-hearted or learned, club members knew how to celebrate.

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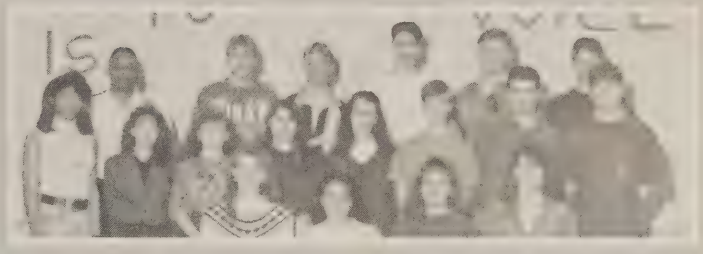

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Notable line-up. Concluding the spring tapping ceremony for the National Honor Society, new members stand on the auditorium stage and recite the club's oath.

Gotcha! Tracey Sawyer leans over and taps Allison Hines, who is flanked by Meg Benedetti, Mandy Hardy and Benji Ashworth, into the National Honor Society during the April ceremony in the auditorium.

Down the aisle. Just announced as a new Beta Club member, Kim Brewer approaches the stage during the spring tapping.

Fall honors. New Beta inductees, Janna Perry, Tracey Sawyer, Keith Beagle, Yvette Fisher and Airren Dabney take the pledge during the honor society's November tapping in the auditorium.

Earning The Honors

Anticipation mounted as the figures moved through the audience, and then there was the joy and relief for the new members each time one of the honor societies held an induction ceremony. And, of course, there was food at the reception that followed.

Fall tappings started off with the Beta Club on November 7, when they headed for the auditorium and tapped Janna Perry, Tracey Sawyer, Keith Beagle, Airren Dabney and Yvette Fisher. The affair included a performance of "From a Distance" by the Jazz Band and Mrs. Shirley Daniel's speech about excellence.

Almost two weeks later, the NHS took over the library for their November 19 tapping, which featured Mrs. Carolyn Williamson speaking on "How to Be a Leader." This ceremony saw the induction of Jana Perry, Byron Stith, Nikki Walton and Janette Kennedy.

In the middle of second semester the Thespians held its induction. New members performed a piece of dramatic art before a panel of veteran Thespians, parents, friends and sponsor Mr. Jim Frizzell.

Spring meant tappings once again for Beta and NHS, and Quill & Scroll held its induction, as well.

On April 17, the Beta invited students to the library for the tapping of two seniors, Titus Dan and Nikki Goodwyn, and 49 juniors, all of whom had maintained a 3.0 GPA. Mr. Bob Steele spoke about the group's achievement, character and leadership, the criteria by which possible inductees were judged.

The National Honor Society rounded out the spring tappings a week later with its induction of 27 juniors who had maintained a 3.5 GPA.

Each induction ceremony had its own unique points. Candles wouldn't stay lit at some, members couldn't get through the mass of people to tap their inductees at others, and there was even a failed microphone at one. But in the end, it was a memorable and honored experience for all those who were tapped.

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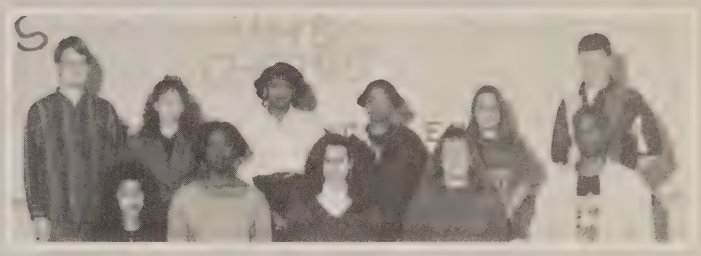

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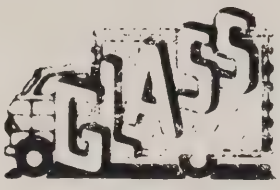

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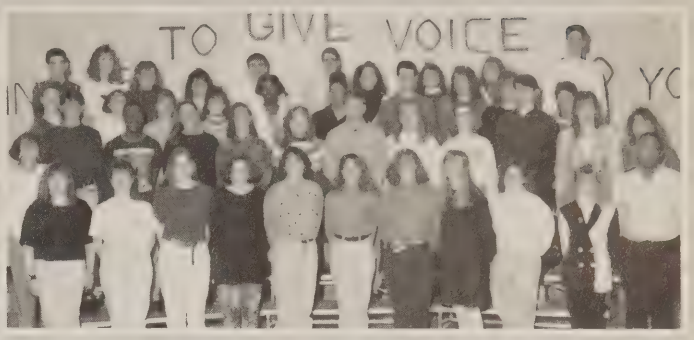

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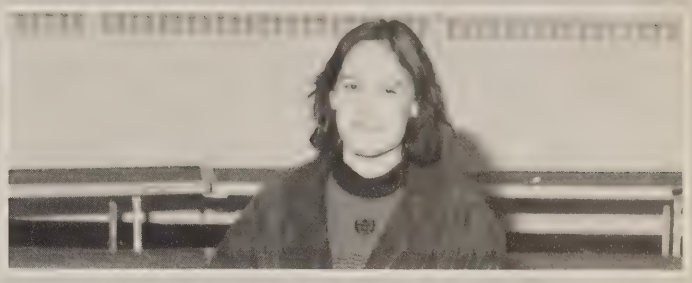

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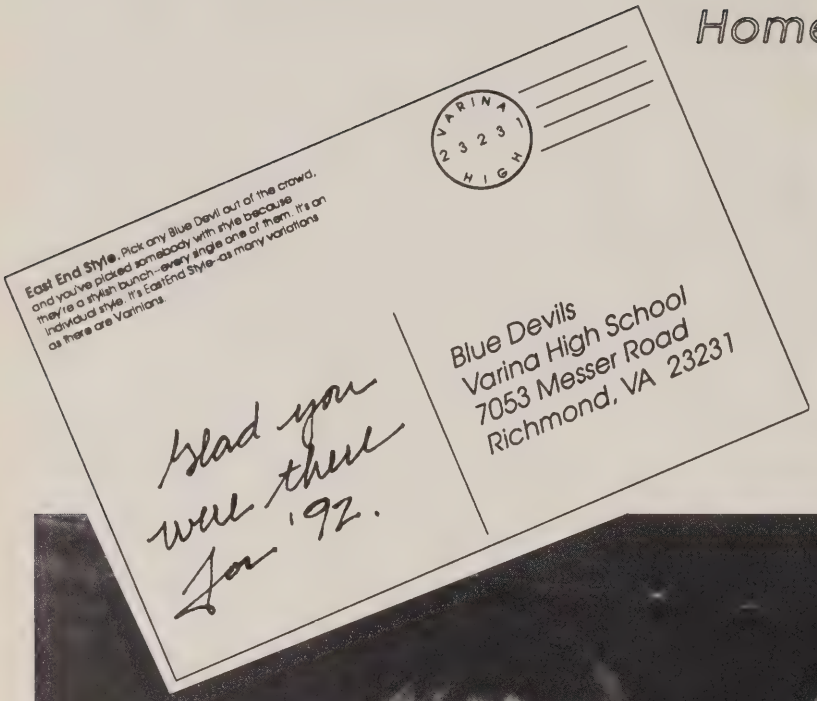
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